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EUROPE.

Extension of the Franco-Prussian Armistice.

The German Triumphal Entry Into Paris Not Decided on.

German Severity and American Generosity Toward the Starving French.

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THE SITUATION IN PARIS.

Liberation of the Would-be Assassin of the Emperor of Russia in 1867—Paying Up the War Contribution—Tranquility—Progress of the Disarmament—Will the Germans Enter—The Armistice—The Emperor William.

LONDON, Feb. 14.—Minister CREMIEUX has ordered the liberation of BEREZOWSKI, the Pole, for attempting the life of the Emperor of Russia, during his visit in Paris, in 1867.

The Versailles correspondent of the *Times* telegraphs today that a portion of the Paris contribution has been paid, viz.: £2,000,000 in bills on London; £1,000,000 in notes of the Bank of France, and £1,000,000 in specie.

Paris is tranquil. The disarmament is proceeding and is nearly completed. If peace is made on fair terms, it is probable that the Germans will not enter Paris; but the 24th of February is considered the probable day of the entry in case one is determined upon.

LONDON, Feb. 13—Evening.—In the House of Commons, this evening, Mr. GLADSTONE denied that the Prussians had placed obstacles in the way of the revictualing of Paris. The Premier also said that the Government had suggested to Prussia to make known the proposed terms of peace.

VERSAILLES, Feb. 13.—The bankers of Paris are fully provided with means to loan the City of Paris the two hundred millions of francs needed for the payment of its war contributions.

The French have proposed a prolongation of the armistice.

M. FAVRE is expected at Versailles.

The Emperor will go to Berlin at the beginning of March to open the sessions of the Reichstag.

The army and its commanders will nevertheless remain in France until the end of the war.

BRUSSELS, Feb. 13.—Mr. WASHBURNE, the American Minister to France, has returned to Paris.

The *Echo du Parlement* of today says that M. GAMBETTA is seriously ill.

Communication Partially Interrupted by the Germans.

LILLE, Feb. 14.—Railway communication with Paris is partially suspended. Trains hence for Paris are stopped by the Prussians, but trains from Paris bound north are not interfered with.

THE FRENCH ELECTIONS.

Another Ballot Necessary in Paris in the Case of Five Candidates.

LONDON, Feb. 14.—A second ballot will be required in Paris to determine the election of FAVRE, UHRICH, FONVIELLE, FAIDHERBE, COCHIN, and GAMBON, who have not obtained the requisite majorities.

Defeat of Republicans in the Department of Somme.

LILLE, Feb. 14.—The Republican ticket for the Assembly in the Department of Somme was badly defeated.

MISCELLANEOUS WAR NEWS.

Continued German Exactions—The Prussian Loan to the Empire—Strasbourg Never to be Restored to France—Furloughs Granted to the Swiss Troops.

BRUSSELS, Feb. 13.—The Germans in the Seine Inferieure exact a contribution of twenty-five francs from each inhabitant.

BERLIN, Feb. 13.—The Lower House of the Prussian Diet has approved the proposed advance of 50,000,000 thalers to the Empire.

LONDON, Feb. 13.—The *Industrial Alsacien*, published at Strasbourg, contains a communication signed by a Prussian to the effect that Germany will never restore to France the territory covered by the City of Strasbourg.

BERNE, Feb. 13.—Furloughs have been accorded to a large portion of the Swiss troops stationed upon the frontier of France.

Food for the French—The United States Steamer Worcester and Store-Ship Supply at the Service of the Committee—The Boston Fund.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Commander W. D. WHITING has been detached from the New-York Navy-yard and ordered to command the *Worcester*, now being put in readiness at the Boston yard to convey a cargo of provisions to France. The following officers have been detached from the stations opposite their names and ordered to the *Worcester*:

Lieut.-Commanders A. T. Mahan, from the New-York yard; D. C. Woodrow and Felix McCurtiey, from the Hydrographic Office; Master H. G. O. Colby, from the Boston yard; Ensign E. A. Hockiligard; boatswain, James Wilson, from the New-York yard, and carpenter J. A. Dixon, from the Boston yard; Pay-master Geo. A. Lyon, Chief Engineer F. H. Baker, First Assistant Engineer G. W. Sesaner; Ensigns, N. J. K. Patch and E. B. Barry.

The following circular was issued from the Navy Department today:

"In accordance with the provisions of a joint resolution of Congress, the United States steamer *Worcester*, at Boston, and the store-ship *Supply*, at New-York, are placed at the disposal of the Committees organized in these places for the purpose of sending supplies for the destitute and suffering people of France and Germany. These ships will employ all the men now at the disposal of the Department, and it is suggested that supplies for this object, collected at other places, be forwarded for transportation from one of the above-named cities."

BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 14.—At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the French Relief Fund, to-day, the amount contributed was reported at $70,000, and $25,000 more is anticipated. Arrangements for the prompt loading of the *Worcester* are perfected. An agent will precede the vessel to consult other relief committees already in France, for judiciously distributing the aid furnished. With these facilities the Committee hope to make every $10 supply a person with cheap food for one hundred days.

GENERAL EUROPEAN NEWS.

The Papal Residence to be Inviolate—The Anglo-American Commission—Sir Stafford Northcote to Replace Sir John Rose—The London Conference—Princess Louise's Dowry—Collision in the Mersey.

FLORENCE, Feb. 14.—The Chamber of Deputies has, by a vote of 204 against 139, approved of the policy of the Ministry relative to the inviolability of the Papal residence.

LONDON, Feb. 14.—The *Times* of today says that the private engagements of Sir JOHN ROSE preventing his acceptance, his position as a member of the High Commission for the adjustment of all questions at issue with the United States, has been tendered to Sir STAFFORD NORTHCOTE. The latter has accepted, and will sail during the present week for the United States. Sir STAFFORD is probably more intimately acquainted with all considerations arising out of the *Alabama* claims than any other person who could have been selected for the position.

The next meeting of the London Conference will be held on Thursday next.

LONDON, Feb. 13—Evening.—The House of Commons to-night, on motion of Mr. GLADSTONE, voted a dowry of £30,000 to the Princess LOUISE, and an annual allowance of £6,000. The vote was unanimous.

The Guion steam-ship *Wyoming*, and the Cunard steamer *Morocco* came in collision in the Mersey. The latter was so much damaged that she was run ashore to stop the leak.

CHINA.

Perfect Quiet in the Northern Part of the Country.

LONDON, Feb. 13.—The British Foreign Office has received a telegram dated at Pekin on the 26th of January, at which date the North of China was in a perfectly quiet condition.

BOSTON.

Unveiling the Statue of Gov. Andrew—Eulogies on the Great War Governor of Massachusetts—Sudden Deaths of Prominent Citizens—Col. Thos. E. Chickering, of the Great Piano-forte Firm.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

BOSTON, Feb. 14.—THOMAS BALL'S statue of Gov. ANDREW was unveiled at 11 o'clock today, in the Doric Hall of the State House, in the presence of the Governor and Council, both branches of the Legislature and a large company of distinguished gentlemen, including Mayor Gaston, Dr. Jacob Bigelow, James M. Beebe, Esq., William Lloyd Garrison, Gov. Jewell, of Connecticut, Hon. A. H. Rice, Hon. George B. Loring, and Ex-Gov. Harriman, of New-Hampshire. There were also a few ladies in the assembly. The ceremonies were begun by the President of the Senate, Mr. COOLIDGE, who called the company to order in the following brief address:

YOUR EXCELLENCY, SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES: We have met together today, as representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to receive in her behalf, from her generous and patriotic sons, the gift of a statue of her great war Governor, and to place it beneath the dome of the Capitol, where his noble work was done; here in this Doric Hall, whose pavement echoed so often to the sound of his footsteps as he went forth to hail and bless the conquering banners of the State and of the nation, now faded and drooping behind his image, and to pledge the faith of the Commonwealth that here it shall stand forever in memory of his great deeds, and of the love and veneration of a grateful people.

The address of presentation was then delivered by Hon. WILLIAM GRAY. He recited the preliminary steps taken to procure the statue, the progress of the movement, and after a highly-eulogistic review of the public life and private character of Gov. ANDREW, he closed as follows:

"May it please your Excellency and gentlemen of the Legislature, the private citizens who have placed in this hall a statue of JOHN A. ANDREW, now offer it to the acceptance of the Commonwealth. There is no spot on earth so fit for him to stand upon. Under the dome of the Capitol, the witness of his exhausting toil of five years, in the vestibule to the halls of legislation, where his counsels were uttered, and to the council chamber of his cares, anxieties and hopes in the presence of and 'beneath a hundred battle-flags,' war-worn, begrimmed and bloody, proud but sad memorials of the glory and the grief of war, the great magistrate will stand 'the observed of all observers.' From that portrait statue will proceed an influence to kindle the aspirations of the young, inspiring them to walk worthily on in the hour of the greater trial of our country. Massachusetts had a Chief Magistrate worthy of her own fame."

In the early part of Mr. GRAY'S address the national colors that veiled the statue were drawn aside and the first sight of the marble portrait of our great war Governor was greeted with prolonged applause. Gov. CLAFLIN accepted the statue in behalf of the people of the Commonwealth. His address was mostly devoted to a review of Gov. ANDREW'S services during the war, and at its conclusion the assembly dispersed.

SUDDEN DEATHS—THOMAS E. CHICKERING.

The afternoon papers are filled with notices of the sudden deaths of prominent citizens. The announcement that created the most surprise was that of the death of Col. THOMAS E. CHICKERING, which took place early this morning at the Tremont House, where he was temporarily living during the progress of some repairs that were being made at his house on Beacon-street. He had been in unusually good health for some time past, and at 10 o'clock last night he closed an interview with his Chicago agent and went to the supper table, where he remarked that he was very sleepy. Shortly after he went to his rooms and threw himself upon a couch. His daughter noticed that he fell asleep at once, and placing a pillow under his head, she went to the room of a relative, where other members of Col. CHICKERING'S family were assembled, and remarked upon the fact that her father had fallen asleep very suddenly. In half an hour the family returned to their rooms, and found Col. CHICKERING endeavoring to undress himself. His hand trembled violently and he was unable to raise it to his head, and almost immediately he fell to the floor in an insensible state. Physicians were called, but relief was impossible, and he died at about 1½ o'clock. Col. CHICKERING was the eldest son of the late JONAS CHICKERING, and was born in October, 1824. He was a prominent militia man, and, during the war of the rebellion he served as Colonel of the Forth-third Infantry Regiment, and was brevetted a Brigadier-General of Volunteers. He leaves a widow and two children. Yesterday afternoon he sent a note to the editor of the *Transcript*, inclosing a description of the monument for the Chickering lot at Mount Auburn, which is now a prominent object in Mr. THOMAS BALL'S studio at Florence. It is stated that Col. CHICKERING has $80,000 insurance on his life in the following offices: Equitable, $10,000; State Mutual, $5,000; Mutual Benefit, $20,000; Anchor, New-York, $5,000; Mutual, New-York, $20,000; Globe Mutual, $20,000.

F. H. STORY, Esq., formerly connected with the Boston branch of the house of BARING BROTHERS, and later the Treasurer of the Dwight Manufacturing Company, died suddenly at his residence, in Chestnut-street, yesterday, aged seventy-six years. He was a brother of the late Judge STORY. Dr. EBEN WIGHT, Dr. HIRAM GOVE, and HORATIO HARRIS, Jr., all died suddenly this morning.

How Gov. Andrew's Family was Cared For—Origin of the Movement for Raising His Statue.

BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 14.—Hon. WM. GRAY, in his remarks on the unveiling of Gov. ANDREW'S statue, alluded to the fund contributed for the family and for the statue as follows:

Gov. ANDREW, in his devotion to the public service, had relinquished the practice of his profession, and left at his death a moderate property, quite too small for the support and education of his family. In addition to his widow and four children of tender years, he left two sisters whom he had aided during his life, and who required such assistance. Soon after his death some of his friends, 425 in number, placed in the hands of trustees $86,566 50, to be expended at their discretion, with a single eye to the welfare of his family. The individual subscriptions to this fund were from ten cents to $1,000, and among the donors were many of the race who justly regarded him as their peculiar friend. A portion of the fund has been set apart for his two sisters, and the income of the residue has been applied to the benefit of his widow and children. So was realized the faith which he had in the relations between himself and the people of Massachusetts. He declined the office of Collector of Customs for the port of Boston, voluntarily tendered to him by the President of the United States—an honorable and lucrative office, held by two of his distinguished predecessors after they had retired from the Executive Chair. When asked why he did not accept the appointment, he replied with a calm self-reliance on his own future, if he lived, and a faith as to that of his family, if he were early removed: "That is not the office for me: the people of Massachusetts will take care of my family."

Mr. GRAY then said that at a meeting held in Faneuil Hall Jan. 18, 1865, a committee was appointed to procure the erection of a statue of EDWARD EVERETT, and if any surplus remained it should be disposed of as the Committee might direct. The sum of $33,000 was raised, and after paying for the statue in the public garden, a bust of Mr. EVERETT in the public library, and a full length portrait of him in Faneuil Hall, $4,000 was given to complete the equestrian statue of WASHINGTON in the public garden, and $10,000 was appropriated for the statue of Gov. ANDREW, today dedicated. The work of executing the design of the Committee was intrusted to Mr. THOS. BALL, and the speaker said he had completed his work to the acceptance of the Committee, and the statue now stands in this hall, here to remain, the gift of private citizens to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts—a memorial of the affectionate regard in which the people of the State hold her distinguished sons.

ARKANSAS.

Rumors of Impeaching Gov. Clayton—The Lieutenant-Governor's Case—Raising Funds.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 14.—The *Avalanche* Little Rock special says rumors are current in the streets that articles of impeachment are being prepared against Gov. CLAYTON. The Supreme Court will to-morrow render a decision in regard to the ousting of Lieut.-Gov. JOHNSON. A bill has been introduced, and will probably pass, authorizing the Treasurer to issue certificates of indebtedness and bank note papers.

NEW-JERSEY.

The Legislature and Erie—A Proposition to Remove the Capital to Elizabeth.

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 14.—In the Senate, to-day, the bill repealing the act of last session, under which the Erie Railway Company was enabled to avoid successive suits for damages, was recommitted to the Committee on Revision of Laws. This is considered an Erie victory. A petition, signed by some influential citizens, was presented to the House from the Third Assembly District, asking the removal from Newark of the Soldiers' Home, on the ground that it is a nuisance. Other measures were suggested for the better care of soldiers....The Senate has made the consideration of the Fifteenth Amendment the special order for Tuesday of next week.... Both Houses have passed a bill to allow indicted persons to testify in their own behalf. Mr. A. W. DIMMOCK, a New-York broker, but a resident of Elizabeth, today made a proposition to the Senate to give five acres of land and $25,000 toward the erection of a suitable building if the State capital should be removed to Elizabeth.

THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Record.

The following is the Signal Service report of the state of the weather and wind last night, Tuesday, Feb. 14, at 11:47 o'clock:

Place of Observation.	Height of Barometer.	Thermometer. Degrees.	Direction of the Wind.	Force of the Wind.	State of the Weather
Augusta, Ga...	30.17	45	....	Calm.	Clear.
Baltimore.....	30.29	29	N. W.	Gentle.	Clear.
Boston, Mass...	29.99	21	N.	Gentle.	Fair.
Buffalo.....	30.16	23	W.	Brisk.	Cloudy.
Charleston.....	30.12	52	....	Calm.	Clear.
Cheyenne.....	29.22	28	W.	Very brisk.	Clear.
Chicago.....	29.96	28	S.	Very brisk.	Clear.
Cincinnati, O..	30.22	32	S. E.	Gentle.	Clear.
Cleveland.....	30.24	19	S. W.	Gentle.	Clear.
Corinne.....	29.14	32	S.W.	Gentle.	Fair.
Detroit.....	30.13	18	S.	Gentle.	Clear.
Duluth.....	29.90	22	W.	Gentle.	Fair.
Indianapolis...	30.13	29	S.	Gentle.	Clear.
Knoxville, Tenn	30.40	30	....	Calm.	Clear.
Lake City, Fla.	30.23	48	....	Calm.	Clear.
Milwaukee.....	29.96	26	S. W.	Brisk.	Cloudy.
Mobile, Ala....	30.29	49	....	Calm.	Clear.
Nashville.....	30.30	34	S. E.	Gentle.	Clear.
New-Orleans....	30.56	48	....	Calm.	Clear.
New-York.....	30.08	25	N. W.	Gentle.	Clear.
Omaha.....	30.29	24	S. E.	Gentle.	Fair.
Oswego.....	30.11	24	S. E.	Gentle.	Cloudy.
Philadelphia...	30.18	35	....	Calm.	Clear.
Pittsburg.....	30.36	37	W.	Gentle.	Clear.
Portland, Me...	30.05	20	N. E.	Gentle.	L. rain.
Rochester, N. Y.	30.23	29	W.	Gentle.	Cloudy.
San Francisco..	30.22	48	S. W.	Gentle.	Fair.
Savannah.....	30.25	49	W.	Gentle.	Clear.
St. Louis.....	29.96	34	S.	Brisk.	Cloudy.
St. Paul.....	29.87	30	S.	Gentle.	Fair.
Toledo, O.....	30.19	20	....	Calm.	Clear.
Washington....	30.19	15	....	Calm.	Clear.
Wilmington, N C	30.29	38	N. E.	Gentle.	Clear.
Norfolk.....	30.24	33	N. W.	Gentle.	Clear.
New-London....	30.00	20	N.	Gentle.	Fair.
Mt. Washington	28.77	8	N. W.	Gentle.	Snow.

Barometer corrected for temperature and elevation.

The Storm on Mount Washington—Clouds Pouring in from the Sea.

SUMMIT MOUNT WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Observation taken at 7 P. M.: Barometer, 23.44, being a change of minus .11 since last report; thermometer 8°, being a change of plus 5° since last report; relative humidity, .78; calm. We observed a brilliant auroral display last night. Heavy masses of clouds were pouring in from the ocean all day. The sky is entirely overcast with a stratum of clouds. It has been snowing since 5 P. M.

Snow East, North and South.

BOSTON, Feb. 14.—A heavy snow-storm commenced at 11 o'clock A. M., and continues to-night.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Feb. 14.—A severe snow storm raged here all day, until 6 P. M. The evening trains are delayed by heavy drifts.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Up to noon today snow to the depth of nine and a half inches has fallen. The storm commenced at midnight. This is the deepest of the season.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Feb. 14.—The dangers of a freshet are passed, the Savannah River is falling.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 13.—A heavy rain-storm prevails here and generally along the coast.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Feb. 14.—In the Senate, today, a communication was presented from the Ministers' Association of Cincinnati, strongly protesting against the passage of a law to license houses of prostitution. The bill now before the House on this subject cannot pass.

THE TENNESSEE HEARD FROM.

Report of a British Bark Just Arrived at Boston.

A War Vessel Seen Off Hayti Answering the Description of the Tennessee—The Vessel in Good Condition—Speculations of the Navy Department.

BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 14.—Capt. HOPKINS, of the bark *Mary Baker*, which arrived here today from Miragoane, Hayti, reports:

"Jan. 28, off St. Nicolas Mole, north-west end of Hayti, saw an American man-of-war; when first seen she was under steam alone, but she immediately made sail, and steered for the east end of Cuba under both steam and sail; the steamer was very long, and ship-rigged; weather fine at the time."

From the description of the steamer it was supposed she might have been the *Tennessee*, but as her course would have been in the opposite direction, it is concluded that the vessel was some other American man-of-war cruising in those waters.

The Steamer Surely the Tennessee—Dispatch from Boston to Secretary Boutwell.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—The Secretary of the Treasury today received the following telegram from Boston:

Hon. George S. Boutwell, Secretary of the Treasury:

Capt. HOPKINS, of the British bark *Mary Baker*, from St. Michael, which arrived at this port this morning, reports that on the 28th of January he saw an American man-of-war off Mole St. Nicholas, on north-west side of Hayti. When first seen was under steam. Soon after stood to the east end of Cuba under sail and steam, going very slow, ensign set. Her description answers to that of the *Tennessee*.

(Signed,) T. M. FISKE,
Special Deputy Collector.

Speculations of the Navy Department—Reason for the Belief that the Vessel Noticed was the Tennessee.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—The Navy Department entertains no doubt that the ship seen by Capt. HOPKINS on the 28th of January was the *Tennessee*. No other vessel of her description could have been in that region at that time. The only vessel similar to her is the *Severn*, Admiral LEE'S flag-ship, which was at Kingston, in Jamaica, on that day, as reported by the Admiral's last dispatch. It is believed that when Capt. TEMPLE found himself on the north coast of Hayti, he encountered adverse winds, which prevented him from going through the Mona passage, and that he, therefore, resolved to go through the windward passage around the west end of the Island of Hayti, visiting Samana Bay last. This is also strictly consistent with the resolution of the Commissioners made on the morning of their departure, that they would proceed to San Domingo City direct before commencing their investigations, possibly touching at Puerto Plata, on the north coast, en route. It is also exceedingly probable that the *Tennessee* also encountered adverse winds in the windward passage, which accounts for her tacking under sail, reported by Capt. HOPKINS. The time indicated, eleven days, is, by calculation, almost precisely the time required to place her where she is reported to have been seen, using her sails when she could and steaming slowly the remainder of the time.

To the Associated Press.

The only two steamers of the United States Navy similarly rigged to the *Tennessee* in the Gulf, are th *Severn*, Admiral LEE'S flag-ship, and the *Congress*, both of which, though somewhat smaller, have a resemblance to the *Tennessee*. The latest reports to the Department also preclude the idea that the steamer sighted on the 28th could be either of those steamers. The *Severn* arrived at Kingston on the 26th, and was still there on the 28th. The *Congress* was at Key West on the 24th, and the probabilities were strongly in favor of her remaining there for some time. The *Yantic*, *Nantasket*, *Swatara*, all much smaller and differently rigged from the *Tennessee*, are cruising about San Domingo, but it is hardly possible that either of them could have been mistaken for the *Tennessee*.

SLAUGHTER OF NEGROES.

Raid of 500 Masked Kukluxes on a South Carolina Jail—Ten Negroes Taken Out and Butchered—Indignation in the Community.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Feb. 14.—Much excitement prevails in Columbia, S. C., owing to the outrages of the Kuklux in the upper counties. A body of 500 masked horsemen surrounded the jail of Union County on Sunday night, tied the jailer, and took out ten negro prisoners confined on charges of murder and arson. Six of these were shot, two hanged, and two are missing. The pretext for the crime was, that the prisoners were about to be removed to Columbia on a writ of habeas corpus. Much indignation at the lynching prevails among the masses of the people, without regard to party.

SHOCKING TRAGEDY.

Love, Murder and Suicide at Sing Sing.

About 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, a young German by the name of JACOB SCHONBERGER, at Sing Sing, where he resided and where he has been employed as a clerk in a distillery, in a fit of jealousy, shot a young German girl named FREDERIKA MYER, to whom he had been paying his addresses, killing her on the spot, and then discharged his revolver at his own head, inflicting a fatal wound. A telegram received at 6 o'clock P. M., stated that he was still alive, but it was not then believed that he could survive very long. Coroner SMITH, of Hastings, was called to hold an inquest upon the body of the deceased young woman.

The Liederkranz Ball.

The Liederkranz Society held its annual ball at the Academy of Music last evening. The affair had all the picturesque features of earlier gatherings, and was characterized, like them, by a very cleverly-planned, and less skillfully carried out, preliminary pageant, by a tremendous crowd toward midnight, and by excellent opportunities for dancing, to capital music, from 1 o'clock until 4. The intentions of the Liederkranz Society in relation to the tableaus and procession have already found place in these columns. We cannot say that they were so literally fulfilled as to make the descriptive programme unnecessary, but with the aid of that elaborate document the spectator was enabled to get along very satisfactorily. We have no mind to rehearse the story already printed here. By way of a reminder of its principal points, we may mention that the first part of it, dealing with the scenes acted on the stage, rested upon the legend of the slumber of Barbarossa, broken by the proclamation of German unity. The cortége following brought before the audience, as it was proposed, King WILLIAM, a blonde representative of Imperial Fatherland, delegates from the principal arms of the Prussian forces, a lad in a gigantic mouse-trap, illustrative of Paris, a *mitrailleuse*, as ill-worked for the successful discharge of flowers as was many a French weapon for the performance of its sterner mission, and numerous comical personages who heaped fusny papers and bouquets upon the laughing throng. A brief ballet was included in these prefatory proceedings, which naturally resolved themselves into the familiar form of a ball. An exceedingly pretty order of dancing, printed in colors and shaped to show on one side a miniature knapsack, surmounted by a cat, and to exhibit on the other a carnivalistic party blown to the heavens by the explosion of a bombshell, was in the hands of the dancers, who filled its blank lines by means of a neat pencil attached, and reached the last piece of music—the twentieth—at the early hour already referred to. Plenty bright sights, ball-room intrigues after the well-known fashion, and a decided scarcity of persons of doubtful repute, will be fresh in the memories of the guests of the Liederkranz whensoever they may look back to the reunion of the present year.

ALBANY.

The Broadway Widening Job in the Senate—A Ship-Canal Around Hell Gate—Fenian Buncombe, &c., &c.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Tuesday, Feb. 14, 1871.

The cunningly-devised scheme presented by TWEED last evening to enable the "Ring" thieves to cover up their tracks in connection with the Broadway widening "job," appeared in print on the Senate files this morning. The unusual haste in getting the bill printed and put on the files, indicated a purpose to rush it through without delay, but, unfortunately, several Democratic Senators failed to put in an appearance this morning, and, as it could not be passed without their votes, it has to lie over until their arrival. The bill was reached, however, in Committee of the Whole and gave rise to a brief but interesting discussion.

AN AMENDMENT PROPOSED.

After the bill had been read through, Mr. CHAPMAN (Rep.) moved to strike out the fourth section. He said there appeared to be a difference of opinion regarding the origin, object, and intent of this bill, and, in order to find out, if possible, what there was in it, he moved to strike out this section. The first section of the bill, he said, seemed to provide for an appeal from the decision of a Special Term Judge to the General Term, but when we came to the fourth section we found that such an appeal was rendered unnecessary by allowing the Mayor to move before another Special Term Judge to vacate the order from which an appeal had been provided in section 1. Another clause of section 4 provided that no Judge should be disqualified from hearing the case on account of his being personally interested in the case, or on account of relationship to parties who were interested. This seemed to him to be an extraordinary provision. There were other objectionable clauses in this section; in fact, the section seemed to him to cover a great deal of ground.

TWEED EXPLAINS.

Mr. TWEED, in reply, said that nearly every Judge in the City of New-York owned property on the line of the proposed improvement—an improvement which, he said, the entire people of New-York were clamoring for. In order that the case might be heard before one of those Judges, this clause had been inserted. Ordinarily, he was free to say, such a clause would not be proper; but this was an exceptional case—a case that probably would not occur again in a hundred years. As to the claim which authorizes the new Commissioners to extend the area of assessments for the improvement, (the old bill did not allow assessments below Fourteenth-street,) he believed it would meet with the approval of every citizen of New-York. The widening of Broadway was an improvement that would benefit the whole City, and all persons should aid in defraying the expense thereof. The citizens of New-York, he said, desired two things: First, that the action of the old Commissioners, about which so much complaint had been made, should be annulled; and second, that the improvement should go on. He knew nothing about the matter until his attention was called to it by the public Press. The City absolutely required that the improvement should proceed. All the restrictions of the old bill were in this bill, and now that public attention had been so generally called to it, he was satisfied that the public would see to it that the work was honestly done. He hoped the Senator would withdraw his motion to strike out.

Mr. KENNEDY, Republican, wished to inquire if it was not possible to get in the City of New-York a Judge to hear the case who was not personally interested. From the organization of the Government there had been a legal prohibition against a Judge sitting in a case in which he was interested. It was not merely a question of the purity of the Bench, but it was a question of good taste. It would seem to him better to send a Judge to New-York to do this business than to insert this unseemly clause in the bill.

Mr. TWEED said that matter had been fully considered and discussed, and it had been found on investigation that there was not a Judge in New-York who was not interested personally or related to some one who was.

Mr. HARDENBURGH, Democrat, said that under no circumstances whatever, and in no case, however exceptional, could he bring his mind to vote for such a clause as that. The legal prohibition against Judges hearing cases in which they were interested was universal and eminently proper. It was founded on general principles, and not designed for special cases or for special Judges. It was based on the idea that Judges, "like CÆSAR'S wife, should be above suspicion." For one, he would never, in any case, vote to remove this prohibition.

The Chairman (Senator MORGAN) then put Mr. CHAPMAN'S motion to strike out the fourth section to vote, and there were several yeas to a single nay. The Chairman immediately declared the motion lost, and a call for a count was declared out of order. Mr. MORGAN had evidently been instructed in his duty before he took the chair. It should be stated here that Mr. MORGAN was called to the chair, when the Senate went into Committee of the Whole, by TWEED, who acted to-day as President of the Senate in the absence of the Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. HARDENBURGH then moved that the Committee rise and report progress on the bill, which would leave it to be brought up again in Committee of the Whole. This motion was carried, but as soon as they went out of Committee, Senator GENET moved to disagree with the report of the Committee, and order the bill to a third reading, and that this motion lie on the table. This was carried, and the bill now awaits the arrival of Senators CREAMER, MURPHY and CAULDWELL, when GENET will call from the table his motion to order it to a third reading. If Senator HARDENBURGH adheres to what he said today, the bill can never pass in its present shape, as no Republican will vote for it, and it requires the vote of every Democratic Senator, including HARDENBURGH, to pass any bill.

A SHIP-CANAL AROUND HELL GATE.

Senator PIERCE today introduced a bill, at the request of certain parties in New-York and Brooklyn, for the construction of a ship-canal around Hell Gate. The capital stock of the Company, which is to be entitled the "East River Ship-canal Company," is to be $4,500,000, divided into shares of $100 each. The City of New-York is authorized to subscribe for 20,000 shares, and the City of Brooklyn 15,000 shares, on the vote of a majority of both branches of the Common Councils of those cities. The canal is to be six hundred feet wide, and the Company is authorized to collect tolls not exceeding fifteen cents per ton for vessels over two hundred tons, and a sum not named for vessels of less tonnage. The bill provides that any time in ten years the United States Government, or the State of New-York, shall have the right to take possession of the canal on paying to the Company the cost thereof, with interest and ten per cent additional. The only corporators named in the bill are Samuel Samuels, Henry A. Trowbridge, Richard Schell, Charles G. Clark, and Rufus Ingalls.

THE FENIAN BUNCOMBE.

Assemblyman MURPHY'S joint resolutions, welcoming the Fenian exiles, were called up in the Senate this morning and adopted *nem. con.*

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Some Facts About the Broadway Widening Job—The Original Awards—Proposed Bill for the Regulation of Forfeiture of Life Insurance Policies—Work in the Assembly.

From Our Special Correspondent.

ALBANY, Tuesday, Feb. 14, 1871.

The amendments which TWEED reported in the Senate, last evening, in connection with the repeal of the Broadway widening "job," created no surprise among the initiated here, because it was generally known among the "faithful few" at the outset that the repeal act was only a subterfuge, to cover new and probably greater iniquities. As the swindle now stands, the awards made for the property taken along the route of the proposed improvements amount in the aggregate to $9,000,000, but $4,000,000 at the outside is all that the property is really worth, according to the statements of a certain member of the original Commission, who announces his willingness to make an affidavit to that effect.

THE ORIGINAL AWARDS.

The first awards were made at the rate of $2,000 a foot for corner lots and $1,500 a foot for inside lots, but after the Commission had passed into the hands of the "Ring" the awards were increased by multiplying the figures by four, $8,000 being allowed for corners, and $6,000 for inside lots. Several plots of ground situated in the vicinity of Broadway and Thirty-third-street, directly owned by one of the Tammany leaders, were estimated by the Commission to be worth $50,000 each, for the parts appropriated. They are only valued at $20,000 each in the real estate market. This is simply one of many specimens of the corrupt operations of the Commission. The death of Mr. JAMES WATSON, late County Auditor, seemed at first to threaten TWEED and his coadjutors with a public exposure of the scandalous conspiracy. When it was reported that Mr. WATSON'S condition had become critical, the liveliest solicitude was manifested for the unfortunate gentleman, and numerous telegrams passed between Albany and New-York concerning his health. Subsequently to his decease, the Repeal bill was prepared, with a view of preventing the exposure of the "job." It was known several days ago that the interested property-owners could not allow the awards to be nullified without a bitter fight, so it was then determined to defeat them by bringing forward amendments for the rescinding of the action of the Commission by an appeal to the Supreme Court.

FORFEITURE OF LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES.

Mr. FLAGG, of Troy, will introduce a new bill in the Assembly in the course of a few days providing for the regulation of the forfeiture of life insurance policies. It is regarded as a very important act, and is likely to excite considerable opposition to its passage on the part of insurance companies. Heretofore the holders of policies have been completely at the mercy of the companies, and the want of such a bill as the present one has long been felt. It was drafted by Hon. A. H. PURDY, of the United States District-Attorney's office at New-York. Its principal sections are as follows:

SECTION 1. All life insurance companies in the State of New-York shall in all cases serve a written notice upon each person holding a life insurance policy under said company, or upon the assignee of the policy held by any person under such company, provided said assignment is recorded on the books of said company, notifying such person at least ten days before the premium on said policy is due, that the same shall be due and payable on the day on which such premium is due, and payable according to the provisions of the policy, such notice to be served on the policy-holder in person, or on some person designated by him to accept such service.

SEC. 2. No life insurance Company in the State of New-York shall forfeit any policy of life insurance held by any person for the non-payment of any premium due on such policy until ten days after the day on which such premium on said policy shall become due, not including the day on which such premium shall become due and payable. And the notice provided for in section 2 of this act shall have been served, and an affidavit of personal service of such notice shall, in all cases of forfeiture, be filed in the office of the Clerk of the county in which the policy was issued. Provided always that if the holder of any life insurance policy issued by any life insurance Company in the State of New-York shall have left the State without designating any person to accept the service of notice prescribed in section 2 of this act; or if any policy-holder cannot be found after due and diligent search, the filing an affidavit of search for such policy-holder in the office of the Clerk of the county in which such policy was issued, and after waiting the ten days, as is hereinbefore provided, then in the case of the non-payment of any premium then due, the policy may be forfeited. But in all cases any policy-holder, or his or her representative, shall be at liberty to pay the premium within the ten days of grace, as is hereinbefore provided.

SEC. 4. No part of any life insurance policy shall be so construed as to waive the rights of service of the notice prescribed in section second of this act, or the right of ten days of grace, provided in section third of this act. But the waiver of these rights must in all cases be in writing, and be executed, in the presence of a witness not in the employ of the Insurance Company, before a notary public.

QUIET DAY IN THE ASSEMBLY.

The Assembly did very little today except to transact general order business. Messrs. PEARCE, of Franklin County, and SELKREG, of Tompkins County, presided alternately while the House was sitting as Committee of the Whole. The only important action taken was the ordering of Mr. JAMES IRVING'S bill in regard to drug-clerks to a third reading. It is probable that it will be unanimously passed.

C. M.

The Children's Aid Society Investigation—Baseless Character of the Accusations.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

ALBANY, Feb. 14.—The examination of the officials of this Society, Mr. C. L. BRACE, Mr. TRACY and Mr. HOLSTA, was continued this evening by Senator MORTON, before Mr. TWEED and the Committee. Mr. D. R. JAQUES, trustee of the Society appeared in its behalf. Mr. FRIEDGAR presented his testimony, which was mainly hearsay and rumor. He admitted on cross-examination that no interference was made with the religious belief of the children sent West, and that names were never changed. Catholic children were often placed in Catholic families. He charged the Society with calling in clergymen to the lodging-house meetings. Severe charges were made by him against Mr. TROT, an employe of the Society, but were unsupported by any evidence. The emigration, he admitted, was useful and well-conducted during the eleven years in which he had charge of it, but he censured it now on the ground that some of the large boys came back to the city. In cross-examination he could give no instances. The great proportion of the 4,000 children whom he took out had turned out well. Mr. TRACY being put under oath, testified that of 4,000 or 5,000 he had placed, a very large proportion had done well, and that he knew of but two cases who had ran away from his parties. Mr. HOLSTA testified to the accuracy of the Society's records. Miss ROSS offered some unimportant testimony in regard to the Girls' Lodging-house. Mr. BRACE stated that the slanders which had been uttered on hearsay by Mr. FRIEDGAR against Mr. TROT, had come from girls of bad character, and had never reached the ears of the officials of the Society. They had the fullest confidence in his character. The whole evidence was entirely based on rumor. Senator MORTON conducted the examination with an evident leaning against the Society. Most of the evidence would not have been received for an instant in a Court of law. The case was postponed to continue the exam

FORTY-FIRST CONGRESS.

THIRD SESSION.

SENATE....WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Feb. 14.

RESOLUTIONS FROM INDIANA.

Mr. PRATT, of Indiana, presented joint resolutions of the Indiana Legislature for an appropriation for the completion of the harbor at Michigan City, Lake Michigan. Ordered to be printed, and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. ROSS, of Kansas, introduced a joint resolution granting the Fort Harker Military Reservation to the State of Kansas as an experimental school for free culture. Referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. WILSON, of Massachusetts, introduced a bill to provide for the selection of cadets to the Military and Naval Academies. Referred to the same Committee. In making such appointments Representatives are required to select one from three applicants standing highest, after a competitive examination conducted by a committee of three residents of the district, who are to be designated by said Representatives. The bill also prohibits the examination or admission within two years of any candidate who fails to pass the examination at the Military or Naval Academy.

BILLS REPORTED.

Mr. SAWYER, of South Carolina, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported back the House bill, making an appropriation for the benefit of the Sisters of Mercy in Charleston, S. C.

Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, from the Finance Committee, reported with amendments the House bill authorizing the payment of duplicate checks or disbursing officers.

Mr. SHERMAN, of Ohio, from the Finance Committee, reported adversely the House bill for the adjustment of the accounts of certain Collectors of Internal Revenue; also, with amendments, the bill for the redemption and sale of lands held by the United States, under the several acts levying direct taxes. The latter bill, as amended, was ordered to be printed, Mr. SHERMAN giving notice he would call it up at an early day.

Mr. SHERMAN reported also adversely the House joint resolution to remit duties upon certain imported articles donated for the benefit of the destitute citizens of France.

Mr. SHERMAN explained in regard to this bill that the Finance Committee sympathized entirely with its object, but thought it impracticable, as it would be impossible for the Secretary of the Treasury to pass upon all the articles of imported merchandise covered by the bill.

Mr. SUMNER, of Massachusetts—Does the Senator see any way in which the object can be accomplished?

Mr. SHERMAN—Only by direct appropriation from the Treasury.

Mr. WILLIAMS, of Oregon, from the Committee on Finance, reported back the House joint resolution for the relief of JOHN L. THOMAS and EDWIN H. WEBSTER, the present and former Collectors of the port of Baltimore, which was considered.

Mr. HOWE, of Wisconsin, without objecting to the bill, suggested the propriety of a general law covering all similar cases of embezzlement of public moneys by employes.

Mr. CORBETT, of Oregon, moved an amendment to include the case of a Customs Collector in Oregon.

Mr. SHERMAN, of Ohio, thought the bill would lead to debate, and under his objection it was laid over.

Mr. SUMNER, of Massachusetts, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, reported adversely upon the House bill directing the Secretary of State to cause to be brought home and interred the remains of Gens. ASHMAN and STEADMAN, and ELISHA N. SAULNIER, late United States Consul at Vera Cruz.

Mr. SUMNER explained that the conclusion of the Committee was reached very reluctantly, and only because they believed the passage of the bills would be practically the adoption of a rule by which the Government would be bound to bring home the remains of all public servants dying abroad. On his motion the bills were indefinitely postponed.

POST-OFFICE APPROPRIATION.

Mr. COLE, of California, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported, with amendments, the Post-office Appropriation bill. Ordered to be printed.

One of the amendments authorizes the Postmaster-General to increase the mail service between San Francisco and China and Japan, by doubling the number of trips by means of steamers of 4,000 tons burden, and increasing the subsidy of the China mail line from $500,000 to $1,000,000.

REWARD OF MERIT.

The House joint resolution appropriating $5,000 to GEORGE F. ROBINSON, in recognition of his services in saving the life of Secretary SEWARD, in April, 1865, was taken up, on motion of Mr. HAMLIN, who said that such services would have been recognized by any other Government long ere this, and that, if the thing was done at all, it should be done gracefully. Passed.

INCREASE OF FEDERAL COURTS.

The Senate, on motion of Mr. RICE, of Arkansas, took up as the business of the morning hour the House bill authorizing terms of the United States District Courts to be held in Helena, Ark.

Mr. TRUMBULL, of Illinois, objected to the bill as one creating new judicial districts, unnecessarily attended with large expense and unwarranted by the business of the Courts throughout the country.

Mr. DAVIS, of Kentucky, concurred with Mr. TRUMBULL, and deprecated, as one of the growing evils of the day which should be repressed, the disposition to carry into the Federal Courts business legitimately pertaining to the State Courts. He opposed the further increase of United States Courts.

THE GULF SUBSIDY BILL PASSED.

The bill was superseded, at 1:20 o'clock P. M., by the unfinished business—Mr. KELLOGG'S Subsidy bill, authorizing a mail steam-ship service in the Gulf of Mexico, between the ports of New-Orleans, La., and certain ports of the Republic of Mexico. The bill was considered in Committee of the Whole.

Mr. EDMUNDS, of Vermont, moved to strike out all the names of the corporators so as to leave the Postmaster-General free as heretofore in such cases, to contract with the best parties at the best rates. His object was to test the sense of the Senate upon the propriety of limiting the Postal Department in contracting to a particular set of men, or, in other words, the question of subsidies there should be no departure from the plan heretofore pursued in the issuance of proposals, &c. The retention of these names would make it patent to all the world, except to the respectable gentlemen named, that the bill was nothing but a job.

Mr. KELLOGG said some of the corporators were among the most wealthy, enterprising, and disinterested citizens of New-Orleans, which city was most interested in the proposed lines; besides, the bill was predicated in part upon a concession by the Mexican Congress in favor of one of the corporators named in the bill.

Mr. EDMUNDS' motion was agreed to upon a division—24 to 20.

Mr. FENTON, of New-York, desired the attention of the Senate a few moments to present a memorial embracing the views of a large number of merchants and ship-owners of New-York. He said it came to him with the weight and influence of a large number of prominent business men of New-York, men of character and well known to the country. It was in the nature of a remonstrance against all Subsidy bills. While their views were entitled to great consideration and respect, he felt that he ought to say to the Senate that he could not entirely concur with them, as would be apparent from his willingness to support the bill now before the Senate with some amendments, which he hoped would be made. He added, the memorial referred to was an earnest remonstrance against all Subsidy bills, representing that they are a specious pretense for the revival of American commerce, and concluding by saying that American citizens are entitled, in common with all other people, to purchase ships in the cheapest markets, as they can thereby compete with the rest of the world.

Mr. KELLOGG advocated the bill as a means of reviving our commerce, particularly the Mexican trade.

Mr. SHERMAN, of Ohio, thought the effect of subsidizing iron steamers would be the destruction of the sailing craft in the Gulf trade. He maintained that the commerce proposed by the bill to be secured was already in American bottoms. Any anticipation of a return for a subsidy in the way of postal receipts would prove a delusion.

Mr. DAVIS, of Kentucky, moved the reference of the bill to a special committee of one member from each of the seven committees which he named. After asserting his opposition, not only to the subsidizing of ships, but also of the lobby, and to all the other corrupt practices accompanying such legislation, he proceeded to comment upon the various propositions looking to a revival of American commerce.

Mr. DAVIS' motion was disagreed to.

After the adoption of numerous amendments, materially modifying it, the bill was reported to the Senate and passed—yeas 29, nays 21. The vote was as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Boreman, Brownlow, Cole, Corbett, Fenton, Flanagan, Gilbert, Hamlin, Harlan, Harris, Hill, Howard, Kellogg, McDonald, Nye, Osborn, Pomeroy, Ramsey, Revels, Rice, Robertson, Ross, Sawyer, Spencer, Stewart, Warner, Williams, Wilson, Yeates—29.

NAYS—Messrs. Ames, Anthony, Bayard, Buckingham, Cameron, Carpenter, Conkling, Davis, Edmunds, Fowler, Hamilton of Maryland, Howell, Johnston, Morrill of Vermont, Pratt, Sprague, Stearns, Stockton, Thurman, Tipton, Vickers—21.

The bill as passed directs the Postmaster-General to advertise for, and authorizes him to contract with, responsible persons, who shall be American citizens, upon the most advantageous terms, for the conveyance of a semi-monthly mail service from New-Orleans, via Galveston, to certain Mexican ports, the contractors, within eighteen months, to construct three first-class iron steam-ships of not less than 1,500 tons burden each, to be subject to acceptance or rejection by the Postmaster-General, and approved by the constructor detailed by the Secretary of the Navy. In time of war or danger the Government to take the vessels by purchase or payment of a sum equivalent to interest on ascertained value. The mail contract not to exceed ten years, nor the annual compensation $100,000. Reasonable compensation to be paid for the first eighteen months for any pioneer vessel to be placed upon the route.

RECOMPENSE OF A NEGOTIATOR.

The Senate then proceeded to consider the bills reported from the Committee on Foreign Relations. The bill making an appropriation of $14,000 for compensation of NICHOLAS P. TRIST as negotiator of treaty of Guadaloupe Hidalgo was discussed.

Mr. SUMNER, of Massachusetts, Chairman of the Committee, Mr. CAMERON, of Pennsylvania, and Mr. FOWLER, of Tennessee, advocated the bill; and Mr. CONKLING, of New-York, Mr. HOWE, of Wisconsin, and Mr. THURMAN, of Ohio, opposed it. The discussion developed the fact that the services for which compensation was asked were rendered subsequent to the recall of Mr. TRIST as Minister to Mexico, but that the treaty negotiated by him was accepted by the Government.

Mr. THURMAN narrated the particulars of the negotiation referred to, showing that Mr. TRIST acted without authority, and in defiance of the Government; that the treaty was most unpalatable to the United States Government; that Gen. SCOTT and Mr. TRIST subsequently quarreled very bitterly, and the latter was sent home under a technical arrest. The only ground, in Mr. THURMAN'S opinion, upon which the bill could be maintained was that, notwithstanding Mr. TRIST did that for which he might have been punished, the Government adopted the acts, and not only condoned his offense, but took advantage of what he did.

Mr. FOWLER alluded to the fact, brought out in the debate, that the claimant was a relative of THOMAS JEFFERSON. He said Mr. TRIST had the assistance of Gen. SCOTT in the negotiation, and argued that it would be in bad faith, dishonest and dishonorable to refuse to pay for the service after the Government had accepted it.

The bill passed—yeas 34, nays 13.

OCEAN TELEGRAPHS.

Mr. SUMNER then called up the House bill relating to telegraphic communication between the United States and foreign countries.

Mr. BAYARD, of Delaware, said that ocean-telegraph enterprises had been delayed by the apprehension on the part of foreigners that there would be some interference with that system of communication by the United States. Congress ought not to hesitate to express its desire for the success of such enterprises, and he regarded the bill as affording an excellent opportunity for such an expression.

Mr. NYE, of Nevada, inquired whether the bill contained any limitation as to the cost of a message.

Mr. BAYARD said it did not, and he did not think it should.

Mr. NYE thought otherwise, and would prepare an amendment upon the point.

Mr. BAYARD suggested that the amendments to the bill reported from the Committee on Foreign Relations be withdrawn to facilitate the passage of the bill.

Mr. SUMNER thought the amendment would be approved by the House, and that the bill would not be endangered on that account.

Mr. NYE then offered and advocated an amendment limiting the charge for a message of ten words in Europe to $5.

Mr. SUMNER opposed the amendment as uncalled for in view of the carefully-prepared provisions of the bill.

Mr. NYE said the Cable Companies were in the habit of circulating false reports of the breaking of cables as pretexts for enabling them to double their rates. For one he was not disposed to be left entirely at the mercy of English capitalists. Under the restriction he proposed sufficiently large dividends could be made by any company.

Without action on the bill, the Senate at 6 o'clock adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

PETITION.

Mr. WOOD, of New-York, presented a petition from the merchants of New-York, to repeal the laws imposing unjust taxation.

REPORT OF A CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

Mr. BECK, of Kentucky, from the Conference Committee on the West Point Military Academy Appropriation bill, made a report, which was agreed to.

CONTESTED ELECTION CASE.

Mr. BROOKS, of Massachusetts, called up the contested election case of SHEAFE against TILLMAN, from the Fourth Congressional District of Tennessee, the resolutions being that SHEAFE, the contestant, is not entitled to the seat, and that TILLMAN, the sitting member, is; and that SHEAFE should be paid $4,500 for the expenses of the contest.

The resolutions were agreed to without discussion, somewhat to the surprise of Mr. BROOKS, who had arranged to have an hour's delay, but much to the amusement and satisfaction of the rest of the House.

Mr. BROOKS, however, moved to reconsider the vote, and that motion being a debatable one, he proceeded to deliver his speech in favor of the report.

The discussion was continued for a couple of hours, when the resolutions were again agreed to.

THE DIFFICULTIES AT WEST POINT.

Mr. ASPER, of Missouri, moved to proceed with the consideration of the report of the Committee on Military Affairs on the West Point Academy difficulties. Agreed to.

The resolutions reported by the Committee are as follows:

Resolved, That the House of Representatives recommend the Secretary of War to restore Cadets BAIRD, BARNES and FLECKINGER to the Military Academy at West Point, to take effect with the beginning of the next Academic year, and then permit them to proceed with the Fourth Class without further punishment for the offenses heretofore committed by them.

Resolved, That the House of Representatives recommend that the Secretary of War convene a Court of Inquiry for the purpose of ascertaining what members of the First Class were instigators and leaders in the affair of Jan. 3, at the United States Military Academy, and that such leaders and instigators be at once dismissed from the Military Academy, and the remaining members of the class engaged in the affair be punished at the discretion of a General Court-martial to be convened for their trial.

Mr. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, offered the following as a substitute for the second resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Representatives recommend that the Secretary of War refuse, at the graduation of the First Class, the customary furlough or leave of absence, but that every member of that class be at once, on their graduation, ordered to their duties as officers of the army, and that no leave of absence, except sick leave, be granted to any of them for one year.

Mr. JOHNSON offered the following as an additional resolution:

Resolved further, That the House of Representatives recommend that the Secretary of War convene a Court of Inquiry to examine into the conduct of the officers on duty at West Point Academy, with a view to ascertain whether they connived at and tried to keep from the public and War Department the wrongs done by the First Class Cadets, thereby encouraging insubordination and riotous conduct at the Academy, and if found guilty that they be relieved from duty at the institution.

Mr. BENJAMIN, of Missouri, asked leave to offer an additional resolution as follows:

Resolved further, That in the opinion of the House of Representatives the Military Academy at West Point has outlived its usefulness, and ought to be abolished.

Mr. KELSEY, of New-York, objected to that resolution being offered.

Mr. ASPER, of Maryland, the member of the Committee of Military Affairs who drew up the report, proceeded to address the House in support of the resolutions, reciting the facts in the case, and insisting upon the gravity of the offense committed by the First Class and the necessity of visiting it with appropriate punishment. He regarded the excuse given by the boys—that they were driven to this act because the authorities at Washington were constantly interfering with the discipline of the school and remitting penalties—as a reflection upon President GRANT, and as therefore adding to the offense committed.

Mr. AXTELL, of California, said he approved the first resolution reported by the Committee because it leaned to the side of mercy, but he was opposed to and would vote against the second resolution. It recommended in fact the dismissal of the whole First Class of the Academy, for in that movement there were neither instigators nor leaders. It was a voluntary, impulsive, unanimous movement. He asked members whether they forgot the indiscretions and follies of their college days, and were prepared to mete out to these young men the severest penalties known to college law—expulsion?

Mr. SLOCUM, of New-York, a member of the Subcommittee on Military Affairs which made the investigation, declared that he had not been in favor of the House entering upon the investigation, thinking that the discipline in the school might safely be left to the officers; but as the House had thought proper to order it, he had taken part in it, and had concurred in the resolutions. He defended the officers of the Academy, but recognized that they had had unusual difficulties thrown in their way within the last few years; first, by the admission of a colored cadet, who had proved a great source of embarrassment, and secondly by the presence of a cadet, the son of a man high in authority, who interfered with orders and discipline. If his were the head of such an institution he would rather have twenty negro cadets in it than one cadet so circumstanced. And this had been the position in which the officers at West Point had been placed for the last three years.

Mr. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, said he was influenced by no hostile feeling toward the Military Academy, although the effect of its teachings had followed him for years, and inflicted on him more injury than mortal man could ever inflict on him. He had felt its effect from the 16th of April, 1861, till the 8th of November, 1865. It had deprived him of the command of the Army of the James, had sent him home in disgrace, and had prevented him entering the capital of the enemy. But still, he was opposed to Congressional interference with the discipline of the school. Complaint had been made of the bad effect of Executive interference with it, and now they proposed to add to the difficulty by legislative interference with it. He argued against the second resolution, representing what a serious thing it was to blight, as was proposed, the lives of those young men forever. It was their head that had been wrong, in the offense which they had committed; their hearts had been all right. They had acted from what they thought to be a good motive, and for the honor of their corps. As to the conduct of the officers, he remarked that, however much they had been blamable, even so much the more should the boys be excused, because they had not had the teaching which it had been promised their fathers that they should have. As for punishing the ring-leaders, he agreed with Mr. AXTELL that there were none, but that all were alike culpable, and that they would all have to plead guilty. Besides, he did not like to expose the boys to the temptation to accuse each other. He would rather vote for the expulsion of the whole class than vote for the second resolution. He believed that the resolution which he himself had offered, depriving the boys of the customary furlough, would be a punishment proportionate to the offense, and would sufficiently mark the condemnation of their offense by the House.

Mr. LOGAN, of Illinois, disclaimed any disposition to see punishment inflicted on those boys, but he was very much surprised at the argument which he had just heard from the learned lawyer from Massachusetts. That gentleman's arguments were sometimes strange, and he (LOGAN) should not attempt to account for their strangeness. He was surprised at that gentleman's attributing a motive for the offense committed. The motives for a crime were to be found in the circumstances of the crime itself. One of the boys most prominently involved in the offense was from his own town, an appointee of his and the son of one of his friends, but he (LOGAN) felt that he had a duty to perform in this case, and he would not falter in its performance. He would never "send the pregnant hinges of the knee, that thrift may follow fawning;" but he would do his duty, though the heavens were to fall, and his duty was to decide the question without reference to the relatives or friends or parents of these cadets. He did not regard it as such a great punishment to turn the offenders out of the Academy. Some of the most gallant officers he had known in the war were men who had been dismissed from West Point. He knew some members of Congress who had been turned out of college. That fact had not kept them out of Congress, though it might have kept them out of jail. [Laughter.]

At the close of Mr. LOGAN'S speech, the House seconded the previous question, after which Mr. ASPER, of Missouri, had an hour to close the debate.

Mr. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, asked Mr. ASPER to yield him five minutes. Cries of "No! No!" "Vote! Vote!"

Without proceeding further with the question, the House, at 5½, took a recess till 7½, the evening session to be for general debate only.

EVENING SESSION.

In the evening session of the House the chair was occupied by Mr. BROOKS, of Massachusetts.

Several speeches were read, and some members got leave to print their speeches without delivering them. There were but few members present, and the proceedings were entirely devoid of interest.

WEST POINT.

The Misdemeanor of the First Class—Defense of its Conduct by One of its Members.

The following defense of the conduct of the members of the First Class in the West Point Academy, in recently "running off" two of their number, which has been so universally censured, is given by one of the class in a private letter:

On the evening of the 2d January, a cadet of the Fourth Class, BAIRD by name, desiring to visit Buttermilk Falls, (which bears the same relation to West Point cadets of bacchanalian tendencies as Northampton, Chicopee, and Ballou's Hotel to Amherst students, similarly inclined,) and desiring to screen himself from the inevitable punishment following such a proceeding, connived with his room-mate (FLICKINGER) to report "all right" to the sentinel in his absence, which was done. The case of the other offender, Cadet BARNES, was in great measure similar. He also reported "all right" to the sentinel on leaving his room, and made such a report a false one by visiting in the room of FLICKINGER.

You will remember that nearly all the regulations of the Academy depend for their proper and efficient enforcement upon the regard for the truth which is cherished by the cadets themselves. And unless there be cherished in the corps a most sincere regard for the truth and a keen sense of honor, the whole body of regulations would cease from that moment to be effective as means of promoting and maintaining discipline. Now to keep this matter of truth-telling up to its original standing, is something here, as in all educational institutions, which falls within the province of the First Class, and made up as the service is so much of custom and precedent, this rule operates possibly with more strictness at West Point than elsewhere. The First Class is looked up to in all things, and their example is strictly followed by the younger classes.

The issue was thus suddenly forced upon us. Three of our comrades had been guilty of lying, and that, too, in its most aggravated form. If we failed to notice it there could be no telling where this habit, so suddenly and auspiciously commenced, was about to carry us. My class met together, and after much careful deliberation it was decided that their case merited the usual punishment of running off. This was no boyish freak, no manifestation on our part of youthful, childish feeling. It was, on the contrary, from its very conception, a most serious affair. We were about to terminate, in a most peremptory manner, the military career of three young men—to change almost in an instant the whole current of their lives. Toward them we had not the slightest hard feeling or ill-will, and none regretted more than we did that we were obliged to resort to such severe measures. But they had lied, and could no longer remain with us; and so, without the slightest violence being done to them, and after having supplied them with money and clothing for their immediate necessities, we sent them away. It was, at best, a sad and painful duty that we had to perform, and I do most sincerely trust that I may never be called upon to do the like again. And yet it was after all the easiest way in which they could have severed their connection with the Academy. By going in the way they did the matter is kept entirely from their friends and the public, and they meet with no difficulty in finding employment, nor do they find, save in the army, the slightest obstacle to success in life. On the contrary, had they remained and been tried by Court-martial, they would have been dismissed, and it would have been published everywhere, and in every paper, great and small, and in articles ranging in size from the whole proceedings of the Court-martial, in the New-York dailies, down to the brief announcement that "Cadets A, B and C had been dismissed for lying," in the most recent weekly in the Western confines of civilization.

You can see an example not only of this, but also of the sound policy of keeping such matters quiet, in the unexpected turn which affairs have taken. In almost every paper in the land, whether for or against them, their names have been published as liars, which cannot fail to work much to their prejudice in the future.

As to our feeling, it is much misrepresented and misunderstood. We are not in the least defiant, nor do we glory in our action. The whole affair was far too painful, and unfortunate in its consequences. Now all we desire the inference to be drawn that in our action we were arraying ourselves against the authorities, and taking the law into our own hands. On the contrary, our action partook more of the nature of a social body expelling some of its unworthy members. True, in so doing, living as we do under the rules and articles of war, and not under the milder code of civil life, we violated a regulation of the Academy, but our violation was of the letter and not of the spirit of the regulation. We knew that we were rendering ourselves liable to severe punishment, but we would cheerfully submit to it in order to attain the end of maintaining, in its original integrity, that spirit of truth of which the Military Academy is so justly proud.

The report of the Committee in the Congressional *Globe* will give you with much truth the detailed facts in the case. And the articles on "The West Point Troubles" in last week's *Nation* and *Army & Navy Journal*, and the TIMES of Feb. 11, (I think,) will give you more successfully than I have been able to do our intentions in the affair.

Sufferings of the French Prisoners in Dresden.

The following regarding the sufferings of the French prisoners at Dresden, is from a private letter by an American lady abroad:

"There are but few arrivals of foreigners here this Winter, except the French prisoners, who suffer from the cold to a fearful extent. I refer particularly to the 'common soldiers'—all those in the ranks—as none are allowed to live in private lodgings. There are many who have been accustomed to luxuries who have now to endure all the deprivations and hardships of the barracks, and associate with the low and coarse rabble composing a majority of the prisoners. I heard of one very young soldier, the son of a nobleman, who had not a single companion in the barracks where he is confined, whose father offered twenty thousand thalers to the Government for permission to occupy private lodgings, but it was in vain. There are twenty-two thousand prisoners in Dresden, and a great number confined in barracks lately built, so near to the river that when the ice breaks up in the Spring it is feared that the buildings will be inundated, and the people are in a fine state of perplexity and trouble as to what they shall do in case this happens. The poor fellows complain that they are suffering so much from the cold as to have no feeling below their knees."

Savings Banks in Massachusetts—Their Number and Deposits.

The Commissioner of Savings Banks in Massachusetts has recently made his annual report to the Legislature, from which it appears that, on the 29th of October last, there were 140 savings banks in the State, eight of which were established in 1870. The whole amount of deposits in these banks at that date was $135,745,097 54, an increase during the year of $23,626,080 90, and for the last two years of $40,906,761. The whole number of depositors was 488,797, which gives an average of $277 71 to each depositor. The increase of deposits within the last four years has been 100 per cent.; of depositors sixty-four per cent., and of the average of each depositor about eight per cent. The loans upon real estate mortgages amount to about forty per cent. of all the deposits. The Commissioner thinks that if the limit of personal loans is extended, the banks should be required to set apart annually a portion of their earnings as a reserved fund to meet losses and guarantee deposits. He also thinks there is some evidence of unhealthy competition between the banks, and recommends a thorough supervision of their affairs by the Trustees.

EUROPEAN MAIL NEWS.

ARRIVAL AT BOSTON OF THE STEAM-SHIP CALABRIA.

The Cunard steam-ship *Calabria*, which left Liverpool Jan. 31, and Queenstown Feb. 1, reached Boston day before yesterday. The mails, delivered in this City yesterday, contain dates later by two days than those already received at the TIMES Office.

THE WAR.

A Summary of M. Michelet's New Pamphlet on the Struggle—Aid for the "Working and Progressive World" Against the Enemy in the East.

Florence Correspondence of the London Echo.

If it be a melancholy, perhaps the most melancholy, spectacle in the world, to see a fine mind outlive itself, and with perceptions distorted and dimmed by age, utter sentiments and pronounce judgments as unsound as they are malevolent, nothing is more surprising than the reverse of this spectacle. Nothing is more sublime than to witness the continuous growth of a vigorous intellect to which years have only added breadth and depth, which is true to its earliest aspirations toward light and freedom, which "by the vision splendid is on its way attended" to the end of a long life, and to which age has given much of the prescience, as well as much of the hopeful indulgence, of immortality. I am fervently impressed by this feeling in reading Mr. CARLYLE'S late letters and M. MICHELET'S last pamphlet. This pamphlet will be immediately published in England, so that it is almost superfluous to write about what will so soon be known; but as the author has allowed me the privilege of seeing the proof-sheets, I think it will be interesting to give you a brief extract or two today from the preface, to-morrow from the body of the work. M. MICHELET'S style is as brilliant and lucid as ever. His notion of the result of the war is that, if Germany persists in exhausting herself in the work of destroying France, a royal road will be opened to the Russian armies to overrun the West. He demonstrates the close alliance of Russia and Prussia. He says with great force, "Prussia needs Russia." The day Germany awakes from the intoxication of her victories, and realizes that "To be" is the first condition of "To be united," Prussia will need Russia. Austria is too weak to help her. In the task of dismemberment of France will not only be a crime, but a deed which will react on us, annihilating all liberty, not only in Germany, but in every country in Europe." The German Liberals, adds the London *Echo*, complain that the wives of the political prisoners at Leipsig are only permitted to see their husbands once a week, and then always in the presence of a Judge of Instruction. The business of the Judge of Instruction is to interrogate the prisoners behind closed doors, to get secrets out of them, if possible, and to furnish the public prosecutor with statements that may be turned against the prisoners. The two members of the North German Parliament, LIEBKNECHT and BEBEL, and the sub-editor of the working man's paper, *Volksstaat*—Herr SCHAY how long, poor thing, has he been locked up?—without having been brought before a public tribunal of any kind. The Brunswick prisoners, who were seized the first week in September and transported in chains to a Prussian fortress 700 miles off, but brought back again since, are in the same position. They are publicly charged with doings amounting to high treason, but what those doings consist of is not revealed, and no judicial examination has yet taken place.

THE DAUNBE RIVER

The Question of Free Navigation—Probable Continuance in Power of the Present Commission.

Constantinople, (Jan. 17,) Correspondence London Times.

Your correspondent from Pesth has, in his letter published in your paper of the 27th of December, pointed out very forcibly the importance of the free navigation of the Danube in connection with the question of neutralization of the Black Sea, now before the Conference. No one who has lived on the banks of the Bosphorus can forget the striking sight of the merchant fleets of all nations pouring down from the Black Sea. A large portion of these are carrying corn brought down by the Danube, and the maintenance of the free navigation of this highway is as valuable to England and France as it is to Austria and Turkey. In order to improve the Danube and keep open its mouths and to secure the free navigation of the whole river, an International Commission, which is now still in existence, was appointed by the Treaty of Paris; and the unanimous testimony of all who have experience in the matter combines to establish that this Commission has done its duty well and effectively. But its functions will cease in April of the present year, unless prolonged by some fresh arrangement. However pleased Russia might be to behold the authority of the Commission destroyed, and the Great European Powers no longer represented on the banks of the Danube, it is assuredly not for the advantage of Turkey, Austria, and other maritime Powers to witness the removal from office of a powerful body, which is still necessary to complete and preserve the great works which are being carried on; and political reasons render the presence of European representatives on the Danube more requisite than even in 1856. I know, at least, that the Sultan's Government would view with regret the cessation of that influence which the Commissioners have hitherto so wholesomely exercised over the freedom of the navigation of the Danube. And it is the general opinion that if the International Commission be not revived after April some better substitute than the Riverain Commission, provided for by the Treaty of Paris, should be found. My information leads me to believe that the Governments of both Austria and Turkey hold it to be their interest that the present Commission should be continued. As no part of the Danube now waters the territory of Russia, it does not lie in her mouth to protest against this view. She can have no legitimate grounds to object to the Danube being maintained as a navigable river, free to the ships of every commercial country. On the other hand, it is obvious that if her pretensions and the future consequences of her pretensions are in any way admitted by the Conference, the free navigation of the Danube would be imperiled, unless such a body as the present Commission is continued in order to preserve the rights which appertain not only to the Riverain States, but also to the commerce of every nation trading in those waters. It seems to follow, therefore, that if neither Turkey nor Austria objects to the continuance of the present International Commission, and if other European Powers demand it, there can be no valid objection to maintaining it in full force, so long as necessity requires.

ROYAL SPAIN.

Amadeo to the Powers of Europe and to the Pope.

The following is the full text of the letter KING AMADEO has addressed to Queen VICTORIA and to the other sovereigns of Europe, excepting Italy. To VICTOR EMMANUEL he somewhat varies his language, as might be expected from their relationship:

DON AMADEO I., by the grace of God and the national will KING of Spain, to the Queen of Great Britain, &c., &c.—The Sovereign Cortes of the Spanish nation having offered to us the crown of this noble country, we have judged, after acquiring the certainty that such election would involve no obstacles to the peace of Europe, that we ought to accept with gratitude an office so honorable for us, although it is so weighty and imposes duties so difficult to fulfill. Thus it is that we have only decided to accept it in the firm and unalterable resolution to employ all our efforts, and to consecrate all our existence, to the good and prosperity of this great people. Born and educated in the pale of a Church which recognizes your Holiness as its visible head, and being now chief of a Catholic nation whose citizens, though free to choose and practice the worship they think best, in a great majority preserve the faith of their forefathers vigorous and unblemished, it will be our principal care, from our respect and adhesion to your Holiness, to procure that the constant relation between your Holiness and this generous nation may be those which the Spiritual Father of the faithful ought to maintain with his true sons. Counsel therefore, your Holiness, that, after notifying you of our advent to the Throne, which, after our swearing to keep and to cause to be kept the Constitution of the Monarchy, occurred on the 2d inst., one of the first act of our reign may be to protest our filial love and profound veneration. In asking your Holiness to be pleased to concede to us your holy apostolic benediction, as a proof of your desire that we may be able worthily to comply with our new and elevated duties, we pray with all our heart to the Almighty to preserve your precious life for many and prosperous years.

Given in our palace at Madrid, this 20th day of January, 1871, Most Holy Father, from your Holiness' humble and devoted son,

AMADEO.

ROUMANIA.

Prince Charles' Troubles—Retirement Into Private Life not Impossible.

The London *Post* publishes a remarkable letter which it says has been addressed by Prince CHARLES of Roumania to a friend in Germany. The Prince deplores the fact that he has been of little use to the country over which he has been called to rule, and he has asked himself often whether the fault is his or that of his subjects. He comes to the conclusion that neither party is to blame, and that the failure he has to lament must be attributed to the mistakes of the Roumanian political leaders. These men, educated abroad, and imbued with foreign notions, have contrived to set up liberal institutions for which the population are not prepared, and to this fact the Prince ascribes the non-success of his efforts. He is determined, however, to make a last attempt, which will probably lose him all his popularity. "Whoever has the courage in certain situations to proclaim the truth, and to call things by their right names, very frequently gets the worst in this world, and so it will probably also happen with me, only with this difference gratefully acknowledged by me, that I am free to return to an independent life, free from cares, and blessed with domestic happiness in my beloved native country, whose strong magnet never ceased to reattract me during the sorrowful hours which I had to pass through. I deplore only with all my heart that my good intentions have been so misconceived and rewarded with ingratitude. Since, however, this is the fate I have in common with most mortals, I shall know how to console myself."

FOREIGN DEATH RECORD.

Decease of Ponson du Terrail and of Ancet Bourgeois—Relicts of Alex. Dumas.

The Bordeaux correspondent of the London *Daily News*, under date of Jan. 22, says: "M. PONSON DU TERRAIL, the most fertile sensational novelist that the Empire produced, died last night, from a combined attack of small-pox and scarlet fever, at the early age of forty-three.

No man since ALEX. DUMAS possessed in such a high degree as he did the facility for producing large quantities of readable matter, which commanded a high price in the market of ephemeral literature. He was paid monthly by the line, and his lines consisted frequently of nothing more than such phrases as these: 'No.' 'Yes.' 'Is it possible?' 'She fainted.' 'He wept.' 'He turned from the Boulevard.' 'A man followed him.' But with all his book-making capacity PONSON DU TERRAIL had a vein of genius. M. PROSPER MERIMEE, being asked by a friend to recommend him something to read, once said: 'Get a novel of PONSON DU TERRAIL; that man has an imagination which continually surprises me.' For some time before his premature death M. PONSON DU TERRAIL had been a Captain of Franc-Tireurs, and for two months he haunted the forest of Orleans, which was his native place, and did much damage to the enemy. The hard life he led during this campaign broke down his constitution. A few days before his death, when some friends were talking in his presence about the awfulness of 1870, he said he was greatly pleased with the year. Astonished, they asked him why; and he answered, 'Because nobody can bewail her tax *Rocambole* with improbability.' *Rocambole* is one of his most extravagant works....M. ANICET BOURGEOIS, a popular French dramatist, has just died at Pau. He generally worked in partnership with some other author. He was the *collaborateur* of ALEX. DUMAS in the composition of several of his most successful dramas, 'Antony and Thérése' among others. For forty years M. A. BOURGEOIS had a hand in most of the sensational pieces of the Boulevard. Almost the last work in which he took part was the 'Bossu,' *Angèse*, 'The Duke's Motto,' which he wrote in conjunction with M. PAUL FEVAL."....The *Daily News*, of London, says: "We desire to speak with all respect of M. ALEXANDRE DUMAS, whose recent death was scarcely noticed by his country, in the presence of the great events occurring there. But we learn with some alarm that he left behind him the unpublished MSS. of twenty-three novels and fourteen plays. Remembering something of the manufacture carried on by the *Maison* DUMAS *et Cie.*, we are not inclined to congratulate lovers of literature on the prospect which this statement sketches out. DUMAS was in the habit of constructing skeleton plots by the dozen; and these were filled in with indifferent flesh and blood by his staff of assistants. If those novels are merely novels in outline—if those plays are but the bones of plays—we are sure his literary executors will not presume to have them clothed, and named, and sold."

PERSONAL, POLITICAL, AND GENERAL.

A Commercial Travelers' Association has been formed in Boston.

The Texas Legislature has voted $1,085 to pay for a portrait of Gen. SAM. HOUSTON.

They have not yet stopped making New-Years' presents to the letter-carriers in Boston.

A Savannah paper is very confident that Hon. BEN. H. HILL, of Georgia, is to succeed Mr. AKERMAN as Attorney-General.

Dr. J. W. PALMER, has relinquished his editorial position in Baltimore, it is said by reason of ill-health.

Texas reports that there is less lawlessness there now than there has been at any time since the war began.

A Montreal silversmith has destroyed the sight of several persons, in his unskillful attempts to cure defects of the eye.

An Eastern ice company cut last week some ice two and a half feet thick and so clear that a business card could be read through it.

A Virginia boy sixteen years old died a few days ago, after suffering intense agony caused by eating painted French candy.

Prof JOHN WOODMAN, of Dartmouth College, who has been for some time in Florida, has returned home much improved in health, and resumed the discharge of his duties.

An Albany man has been sent to prison for five months simply for "borrowing" an umbrella in such weather as we have been having during the past few days.

A member of the Yale Medical School is in prison on the charge of victimizing some of the Professors, by obtaining from them money on false pretenses.

The German Patriotic Relief Association of Philadelphia has sent 55,000 thalers to Germany, in aid of the suffering widows, orphans, and wounded soldiers.

Hon. THOMAS TALBOT has built a church for the Baptist Society in Billerica, Mass., at a cost of $12,000, and secured the income of $5,000 annually toward the support of the preacher.

Texas farmers report that they will this year plant more corn than ever before, and contract the cotton crop in a proportionate degree. The large immigration has had the effect to raise the price of corn and meat.

Rural visitors to New-Orleans complain of swindles practiced upon them by knaves, who persuade them to contribute to the Lee Monumental Fund, after introducing them to a bogus Gen. J. B. HOOD.

Spotted fever is raging with fatal effect in Schoharie County. It is said that there are 1,200 cases in a district less than ten miles square. In one village of 800 inhabitants there were eighty-three deaths in three weeks.

There are now only 15,000 volumes in the Louisiana State Library. There were once about 60,000. It was formerly located in Baton Rouge, and by the removal to New-Orleans many valuable works were either lost or stolen, and those remaining suffered greatly by transportation.

LEONARD CHOATE, the Newburyport "Fire Bug," pleaded guilty to the charge of setting fire to a church in that city, and received his sentence unmoved. The sentence was imprisonment for life at hard labor in

A PURCELL FOR MURDERER.

Execution of the Sentence of Death Stayed—A New Trial Ordered, and the Reasons Therefor.

The following opinion was delivered yesterday by Justice INGRAHAM, in the General Term of the Supreme Court, in the case of JOHN PURCELL, one of the three men now under sentence of death in the Tombs: "The prisoner was convicted of murder in the first degree in the Court of Sessions. Appeal has been taken from that conviction, and on the argument a new trial is asked for on two grounds.

First—That the evidence was insufficient to justify the verdict. *Second*—For errors in the charge to the jury. The statute under which the first ground is urged for a new trial, provides that the appellate Court may order a new trial if it shall be satisfactory that the verdict against the prisoner was against the weight of evidence or against law, or that justice required a new trial, whether any exceptions shall have been taken or not in the Court below. (Laws of New-York, 1855, page 613.) The Court of Appeals in O'Brien *vs.* The People, have given to this statute the construction, that while it does not authorize this Court to disregard errors which prior to its passage were available to the prisoner, yet, even if the Court should think that such errors did not influence the jury, it was proper for the advantage of the prisoner in that a new trial might be awarded, if justice seemed to require it, although the record contained no error of law untrammeled by the absence of exceptions (Opinion of the Judges, 39 N. Y., 377.) Our first inquiry then is, was the verdict against the weight of evidence, or is there anything in the case showing that justice requires a new trial to be granted? The evidence in the case, on the part of the people, established conclusively the killing of the deceased by the prisoner with a pistol. That such homicide took place while the prisoner was engaged in an affray with a brother of the prisoner and had struck the brother several times. The deceased had no weapon in his hand at the time. The killing took place after a bystander had pulled deceased from the brother. As the time of killing, the prisoner declared, "he would get even for something," and turned around and shot the deceased. Before the deceased struck the brother of prisoner, the brother took off his coat and offered to fight the deceased, who thereupon struck him several times. There was evidence that the deceased had also struck the prisoner. As the deceased fell the prisoner ran away, followed by some of the bystanders He ran to the Station-house, when some exclaimed he had shot a man. The Sergeant asked him if he had shot a man. He said, "Yes;" and, on being asked if he had killed him, said, "If he had not, he intended to;" he kicked him; and his brother said, "Hellpern. On being told the man was dead, the prisoner said, "He was glad of it; he could catch a rope and swing, as well as any young fellow." The evidence on the part of the defense showed that the prisoner did not commence the affray, but that the deceased was the aggressor; that he proposed a fight between the brother of the prisoner and a third person, and, on the prisoner's refusal to allow his brother to fight, the deceased assaulted the prisoner, striking him five or six blows, and causing blood to flow on his shirt. The deceased also called him names, knocked him down and kicked him. The deceased also knocked the brother of the prisoner down, and while down kicked him, saying he "would kill the two of them." It was while the brother was lying on the floor that the pistol was fired. The prisoner was examined and he testified to the attack on the part of deceased on himself and his brother. He also stated he had borrowed the pistol before he met KIERNAN, the deceased; that the pistol was loaded when he got it, and that he fired on the impulse of the moment, without knowing whether it was loaded or not. Similar testimony was given by TRACY as to the affray. DENNER and FEITER, the two witnesses who proved the killing on the part of the prosecution, did not see all of the affray. DENNER says that when he came there WILLIAM and deceased were quarreling, and deceased struck him. He did not see what passed previously to the blow given to the brother. FEITER also saw the same part of the occurrence. It is evident from the testimony of all the witnesses, that the witnesses for the prosecution did not see anything previous to the time when the brothers and the deceased were quarreling and the deceased struck him. The matters related by the witnesses for the defense show the attack on the prisoner had taken place before the arrival of either of the witnesses for the prosecution. It seems to be difficult to discover from this evidence, laying aside the declaration of the prisoner after the transaction, any premeditation. The parties did not expect to meet; there was no quarrel previous to that meeting, and the assault was made by the deceased before anything was done by the prisoner. The expression made immediately after the killing, that it was intended, and he meant to kill him, and that he was glad he had killed him, were both made under the excitement caused by the assault on him and his brother made by the deceased, and of themselves hardly justify the presumption that the killing was a premeditated act. It seems rather to be a killing in the heat of passion without premeditation, properly classed as one of the degrees of manslaughter, because it wants the evidence of premeditation to constitute murder. I am aware that the learned Recorder submitted to the jury this question of intent, and that to his charge in this respect there was no objection, but our duty is not only to review errors of law under the act of 1855, but to order a new trial if the verdict against the prisoner was against the weight of evidence, or if justice requires a new trial. Where the only evidence for the people is from witnesses, who only saw part of the transaction, and the testimony for the defense discloses an aggravated assault, which would fully warrant the conclusion that the whole of what took place was the result of that affray and that the homicide was committed in the heat of passion, the verdict finding the prisoner guilty of murder does not seem fully to be in accordance with the weight of the evidence. It was urged that the facts showed a case in which the killing was justifiable, or at least excusable. I think not; although it seems to have been produced by the excited state of mind from the sudden passion then exhibited, there does not appear to have been any ground for the prisoner to fear some great personal injury, and that the danger of its being accomplished was imminent. It is also urged upon this appeal that there was error in not telling the jury what the grades of crime were between murder in the first degree and manslaughter in the third degree. There was no request made to the Court to give any such instructions, and under the finding of the jury the prisoner cannot complain that the jury were told that the offense came within a lesser degree of manslaughter, if the jury did not find the case to be one of murder in the first degree. The jury were told if they had a reasonable doubt as to the prisoner's guilt of the crime of murder in the first degree they could find him guilty of manslaughter in the third degree, provided the evidence should have satisfied them beyond all reasonable doubt that he is guilty of that specific crime and that crime only. If there was any doubt as to the evidence being sufficient to convict of manslaughter in the third degree, a different question would be presented in case of conviction for that offense, but where the conviction was for murder, it could have no influence on the verdict whether all the degrees of manslaughter were or were not explained. The charge upon the question of good character was also excepted to. The jury was instructed that the good character was always a proper subject for the consideration of the jury, that it may be taken into consideration in a case where full proof of guilt exists, and may of itself generate a doubt in the minds of the jury. To this extent there is nothing in the charge that is inconsistent with the late decision of the Court of Appeals in REMSEN et al. *vs.* The People. The Judge in that case says "that good character has always been considered by the jury. It will sometimes cause a doubt where the evidence is positive as to the guilt," &c., and the charge in this case, as above quoted, does not substantially differ from the rule laid down by Judge ALLEN in the former case. The subsequent remark, however, that "where a clear case of guilt is made out on the proof, the evidence of good character is of comparatively little importance," cannot be held to be in accordance with the decision above referred to. It has the effect of taking from the jury the right which belongs to them, to give to evidence of good character as much consideration as the jury think it deserves, even if it should lead to an acquittal. The instruction that it was of little avail in a certain state of facts was directing the jury that they should give it little consideration. This differs only in form from the instruction that it was of no avail. The effect of both was to control the jury as to the effect they should give to such evidence. But the evidence in the case did not call for any instruction on the subject of good character. There was none proven. All the evidence relating to such a subject was that of TRACY, his employer, who testified "he did not know that the prisoner had been in any difficulty before, that he never knew him to be in a fight, and had a good character before this." This was no proof of good character. In fact, the witness was not asked whether he knew his general character. The main fact that they did not know of anything of a bad character may have been true, and yet he might have testified as to his reputation as to character that he had heard from those who knew him. Unless there was evidence on the subject to go to the jury, such instruction became useless. This was held in the case of O'BRIEN *vs.* The People, 36 N. Y., where an error upon a matter of which there was no sufficient proof, was held to be immaterial. While, therefore, we are of opinion that there was no error of law committed on the trial calling for a reversal of that judgment, we think the evidence did not warrant the verdict of the jury. That the homicide was one committed during the heat of passion without premeditation, and constituted the offense of manslaughter and not of murder. For this cause we think the judgment should be reversed, and a new trial ordered.

Mr. Bergh at Washington.

On Saturday evening, Mr. BERGH addressed a large and influential meeting in the Lincoln Hall, in Washington, on his usual subject, "Our Dumb Slaves." The meeting was attended by all classes of society and many representative men. The speaker was loudly applauded during the lecture, and, at its termination, Senator WILSON, of Massachusetts, made some complimentary remarks respecting the labors of Mr. BERGH. Other gentlemen spoke in praise of the great and benevolent cause. The meeting was presided over by Hon. Mr. COOK, of Illinois, and the United States Marine Band was in attendance and played at intervals. The meeting was a great success, and the large hall was well filled. As an evidence of the progress of the merciful idea of protection to dumb animals, it may be remarked that sixteen States have adopted Mr. BERGH'S code substantially, and also his shield. The Washington Society is the twenty-fifth organized.

Pardoned Too Late—A Distressing Case.

About two years ago a respectable man, a consumptive, having a wife and four children, was arrested on a charge of having in his possession some counterfeit fractional currency, with intent to pass the same. He was duly tried, convicted, and sentenced for a term of six years in the Albany Penitentiary. His wife, an industrious and exemplary woman, has struggled against poverty and suffered, at times, intensely. Much of the time she has been out of employment, and she has been obliged to seek relief from benevolent societies.

A few weeks since the poor wife, by dint of the most rigid economy, had provided some under-clothing and a bottle of honey, which she knew would greatly contribute to her husband's comfort. Not having the means to send them, she applied to Mr. BRACE, Agent of the Prison Association. He dressed the Prison Superintendent, and received an answer that the man would be permitted to receive the articles, but his critical state of health rendered it doubtful whether he could live until they came. The physician inclosed his certificate to that effect. Mr. BRACE, with characteristic promptness, induced the District-Attorney who prosecuted the case, and Hon. NOAH DAVIS, to unite in an appeal to President GRANT to release the prisoner. The pardon soon came, and the wife brought him home. But a few days elapsed before the end came. Friday last he died. For two years that penitentiary life hastened the poor consumptive to his grave. During that time his family endured almost every hardship. They are now in very destitute circumstances.

The Funeral of Alice Cary.

All that was mortal of the gifted poetess, ALICE CARY, was consigned to the tomb yesterday. The funeral exercises took place at the Church of the Strangers, at which Rev. Dr. DEEMS officiates, which was filled with literary celebrities, who braved the peltings of the storm in order to pay the last tribute of respect to the memory of one who was so much respected in life. The services were opened by the recitation of the hymn, "The Dying Christian to Her Soul," and a poem by Miss CARY, sister of the deceased, commencing, "What sweetly solemn thoughts." After the prayers and lessons, Dr. DEEMS delivered a touching and beautiful sermon. At the conclusion of the service the remains were borne to Green-Wood Cemetery. The body was inclosed in a handsome silver-mounted coffin. On the plate was the following inscription: "ALICE CARY. Born 1820. Died 1871. Aged 50 years." The pall-bearers were Horace Greeley, George Ripley, Bayard Taylor, P. T. Barnum, W. W. Hall, and A. J. Johnson. Among those present were the poet, W. J. Wells, Fanny Fern, Rev. O. B. Frothingham, Rev. J. E. Cookman, Bedford-street M. E. Church, and Rev. Dr. Hallock.

LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDARS—THIS DAY.

COURT OF APPEALS.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 14.—The following is the day calendar of the Court of Appeals for Feb. 15, 1871: *Nos.* 106, 110, 26, 54, 111, 114, 116, 117.

OYER AND TERMINER AND SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT.

Part I.—Held by Sutherland, J.—Court opens at 10½ A. M.

Nos.	Nos.
64 (R. C.)—Wilson *vs.* McLean.	21—Stedman *vs.* Western Trans. Co.
121 (R. C.)—James *vs.* Schuldt.	77—Eakin *vs.* Baxter.
2799 (Old)—Bleecker *vs.* Fordham.	91—Close *vs.* Lyman.
335 (R. C.)—Coulter *vs.* Board of Education for City and County of New-York.	92—Chipman *vs.* Long Island Railroad Co.
61—Shedd *vs.* Montgomery.	95—First Nat'l Bank of Rockville, Conn., *vs.* Lambert.
33—Moore *vs.* Sylvester.	85—Corbett *vs.* Levy.
35—Thurman *vs.* Reed.	211—The Mead RubberCo. *vs.* The National Spring Co.
238—Crow *vs.* Hoboken Land and Ins. Co.	99—Lester *vs.* N.Y.Guarantee and Indemnity Co.
299¼—Woodward Steam Pump Mf'g Co. *vs.* Tremont Coal Co.	101—Emberson *vs.* A. G. Wicks.
41—Lanahan *vs.* Ayres.	102—Watson *vs.* Kelly.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT.

Part II.—Held by Brady, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M

Nos.	Nos.
4—Freund *vs.* Freund.	204—Morton *vs.* Halsey.
2—Same *vs.* Same.	262—Osgood *vs.* McKnight
225—Rindle *vs.* Andrews.	270¾—Wesser *vs.* Hatch.
34—Barstow *vs.* Hansen.	226—Burns *vs.* Graham.
1732—McKnight *vs.* Devlin.	42—Covert *vs.* Chapman.
1008—Chambers *vs.* Baldwin.	216¼—Gardner *vs.* Jones.
128—Roach *vs.* Pesnaud.	244—Klink *vs.* Kelly.
228—Coleman *vs.* Boston.	246—Reynolds *vs.* Kelly.
240—Kenney *vs.* Ives.	313—Thomas *vs.* Farmers' Loan and Trust Co.
250—Abbott *vs.* Brown.	72¼—Berhett *vs.* Sanderson.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

Held by Barnard, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.—Calendar called at 12 M.

No.
44—Hollister *vs.* Cleiz.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Part I.—Held by Monell, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

Nos.	Nos.
73—Goodenough Horse-shoe Co. *vs.* Grocers' Fire Insurance Co.	175—Puleston *vs.* Wells.
275—Claflin *vs.* Rosenburg.	33—Stanges *vs.* New-Jersey Steam Nav. Co.
353—Dickinson *vs.* Monsenroth.	461—Lalor *vs.* Katelles.
471—Villaret *vs.* O'Brien.	307—Myron *vs.* Third-avenue Railroad Co.
477—Kreutz *vs.* Cruger.	451—Alexander *vs.* Bleecker-street and Fulton Ferry Railroad Co.
495—Wicks *vs.* Hatch.	197—Holmes *vs.* Roberts.
281—Coultas *vs.* O'Brien.	181—Dougherty *vs.* Van Lotten.
169—Kohn *vs.* O'Brien.	
501—Rowe *vs.* Stevens.	

Part II.—Held by Jones, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

Nos.	Nos.
302—Simonson *vs.* Walker.	366—Fullmer *vs.* Clark.
350—Norris *vs.* Koehler.	1306—Smith *vs.* Miller.
326—Smith *vs.* Commonwealth Fire Ins.Co.	286—McGrath *vs.* O'Brien.
316—Smith *vs.* Baltic Fire Ins. Co.	570—Morgenthau *vs.* Hensley.
322—Smith *vs.* Exchange Fire Ins. Co.	116—Booth *vs.* O'Brien.
610—Stroub *vs.* Third-avenue R. R. Co.	304—Gerken *vs.* Platte.
614—Neumons *vs.* Lugar.	180½—— *vs.* ——.
	628—Metropolitan Gaslight Co. *vs.* Brown.

COMMON PLEAS—TRIAL TERM.

Part I.—Held by Loew, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

Nos.	Nos.
471—Davis *vs.* Gwynne.	475—Gorham Mf'g Co. *vs.* Barclay.
27—Goodenough Horse-shoe Co. *vs.* Manhattan Fire Ins. Co.	136—Waring *vs.* Schults.
510—Jardine *vs.* O'Brien.	346—Hoover *vs.* Beekman Fire Ins. Co.
535—Brust *vs.* Reaman.	347—Hoover *vs.* Croton Fire Ins. Co.
486—Lasak *vs.* Hellpern.	600—Kimball *vs.* Brown.
557—Kirchoff *vs.* Blumenthal.	681—Wylie *vs.* Marine Nat. Bank.
585—Devlin *vs.* Barbier.	682—Seely *vs.* Dart.
614—Conklin *vs.* Wilson.	

Part II.—Held by J. F. Daly, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

Nos.	Nos.
585—Devlin *vs.* Barbier.	691—O'Hagan *vs.* Home Life Ins. Co.
547—Pierrepont *vs.* Moser.	692—Henderson *vs.* Wilks.
683—Wetsiar *vs.* Happensack.	693—Hardenburg *vs.* Cockroft.
684—Fillmer *vs.* Rosen.	694—Carey *vs.* Kerr.
686—Stillwell *vs.* Wolberg.	695—Horton *vs.* Reddington.
686—Horton *vs.* Equitable Life Ins. Co.	17—Polhamus *vs.* Garritser.
688—Harpiar *vs.* O'Brien.	
689—Waterbury *vs.* Levy.	
690—Berolsheimer *vs.* Andrews.	

Equity Causes.

Held by Larremore, J.—Court opens at 12 M.

Nos.	Nos.
54—Krekeler *vs.* Retter.	72—Van Aulin *vs.* Tyson.
55—Thanle *vs.* Retter.	69—Baxter *vs.* Delafield.
61—Sheehy *vs.* Tomlinson.	

MARINE COURT.

Part I.—Held by Joachimsen, J.—Calendar called at 10 A. M.

Nos.	Nos.
4711—Pike *vs.* Favor.	5109—Clarkson *vs.* Baldwin.
4830—Gardner *vs.* Welsh.	5123—Koch *vs.* Groteclos.
4899—Lowrie *vs.* O'Brien.	5125—Moeller *vs.* Quinn.
4967—Lang *vs.* O'Brien.	5126—Alexander *vs.* Jacobs.
4967—McEwan *vs.* Palmer.	5128—Sproull *vs.* Sudbrith.
5081—George *vs.* Lynn.	5129—Roah *vs.* Muller.
5052—Cohen *vs.* Degener.	5130—Simonson *vs.* Eastbrook.
5103—Payer *vs.* Haffner.	5131—Adams *vs.* Briggs.

Part II.—Held by Shea, J.—Calendar called at 10 A. M.

Nos.	Nos.
4977—Broesler *vs.* Bissinger.	4546—Byrne *vs.* O'Keefe.
4976—Chichester *vs.* Highton.	4974—Slotman *vs.* Howland.
5060—Mayer *vs.* Merserole.	4983—Moses *vs.* Simons.
1215—Harris *vs.* Hilliard.	5115—Hofmann *vs.* Hernstein.
3060—Monirpee *vs.* Walworth.	5120—Davidson *vs.* Rauschcer.
4988—Stead *vs.* Moss.	5121—Donovan *vs.* Van Brien.
4851—Holt *vs.* Hart.	5122—McLaughlin *vs.* O'Brien.
4985—Oppenheimer *vs.* Tuska.	1676—Leland *vs.* Leland.

Part III.—Held by Tracy, J.—Calendar called at 11 A. M.

Nos.	Nos.
5410—Cobb *vs.* Ladd.	5116—Jay *vs.* Deane.
5067—Beams *vs.* Schoriing.	5117—Parker *vs.* Water.
5018—Brown *vs.* Storm.	5119—Knox *vs.* Benmount.
—— Mower *vs.* Bloomer.	

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Held by Hackett, Recorder.

Nos.	Nos.
1—The People *vs.* Lewis; M. Van Eeten; forgery.	5—The People *vs.* Louis Wilson; receiving stolen goods.
2—The People *vs.* C. D. Vanderpool; forgery.	6—The People *vs.* Frederick Oberbeck; receiving stolen goods.
3—The People *vs.* Charles Reilly and John Le Roy; grand larceny.	7—The People *vs.* Joseph A. Weaver; receiving stolen goods.
4—The People *vs.* Sarah E. Bogart; grand larceny.	

DECISIONS.

COURT OF APPEALS.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 14.—Decisions in the Court of Appeals, Feb. 14, 1871: Judgments affirmed with costs—Clark *vs.* Manhattan Insurance Company; Howard *vs.* France; Whitbeck *vs.* Holland; Pepin *vs.* Lachenmeyer et al.; Bowman *vs.* Bernard; Bless *vs.* Matterson et al.; Carl *vs.* Spofford; Holtzinger *vs.* Corn Exchange Bank.

Judgments reversed and new trial granted, costs to abide events—McEntee *vs.* New-Jersey Steamboat Company, two cases.

Order granting new trial affirmed, and judgment absolute for the defendants, pursuant to stipulations, with costs—Elliot *vs.* Wood et al.

Order of 24th of January reaffirmed without costs of the motion for reargument or of the reargument to either party—Ledwith *vs.* Ford et al.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—FEB. 14.

By Judge Freedman.

In the matter of Nathan Maurice, an imprisoned debtor; Frederick Eppenstier *vs.* William Bower; The American Corrugated Iron Company *vs.* Henry Elsner; John Rose *vs.* J. P. Letzer; Helena Ernister *vs.* Louis Schillack; Simon Steinfield *vs.* Isaac Sommers; Louis Bitting *vs.* Chas. Chamberlain et al.; Michael Conroy *vs.* Joseph Levy; The Metropolitan Steam-ship Company *vs.* A. L. King; William F. Moreley *vs.* David Tynberg.

SUPERIOR COURT—CHAMBERS—FEB. 14.

By Judge Brady.

McAndrew et al. *vs.* Isaacs; motion for reference denied.

Same *vs.* Same; injunction vacated.

SUPREME COURT—TRIAL TERM—PART I.—FEB. 14.

Before Judge Sutherland and a Jury.

ALLEGED CONSPIRACY TO EJECT.

Anthon D. Kaufman vs. *F. W. Dove et al.*—This action was brought to recover damages against the defendants for an alleged conspiracy to eject the plaintiff under color of legal proceedings which were irregular, and, as alleged, were intended so to be. The facts of the case have already appeared in the columns of the TIMES. The chief point presented on the trial was that the plaintiff and one of the defendants named Bailey, who was his landlord, had some family quarrel, and, as plaintiff alleges, Bailey, in conjunction with the officer who served the summons, and the officer who executed the warrant of ejectment, conspired to eject the plaintiff under a warrant based on an irregular service of summons. The testimony in the case tended to substantiate the allegations of the complaint, that the summons had not been regularly served, and that on the day and at the time when the warrant of ejectment was being served, an order of injunction was served on the officer executing it, which was disregarded. Judge SUTHERLAND, in charging the jury, directed their attention to the rule of law, that if the jury found that the ejectment was the result of a conspiracy, they would have a right to award plenary damages.

The jury found in favor of the plaintiff for the sum of $1,000.

D. & T. McMahon for plaintiff; Mr. Anthon for defendant.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM—PART I.

Before Judge Monell and a Jury.

LIFE INSURANCE—DEFENSE, SUICIDE—VERDICT FOR PLAINTIFF.

Elizabeth R. Coffey vs. *The Home Life Insurance Company.*—This case, which has been on trial for several days, and the facts of which have already fully appeared in the TIMES, has been concluded by a verdict of the jury in favor of the plaintiff (not defendant, as has been inadvertently stated) for the full amount claimed, thus dissipating the theory that Mr. Coffey, on whose life the policy was issued, had committed suicide.

COMMON PLEAS—TRIAL TERM, PART I—FEB. 14.

Before Judge Joseph F. Daly and a Jury.

A DOUBTFUL BILL OF SALE.

John McGuire vs. *Daniel O'Callaghan et al.*—Daniel S. McGuire, father of plaintiff, bought from defendant goods amounting to about $200, and gave his note for the amount, payable in thirty days. Subsequently, on the 28th of March, 1870, summons was issued, and in due course judgment was obtained by defendants, and under an execution issued thereon the goods now in litigation were seized and sold. Plaintiff claims under a bill of sale made by his father on the same day on which the summons by defendants was served, and relying on this fact as an indication of fraud, the defendants now attack the validity of the bill of sale. The jury found in favor of the defendant, and a motion for a new trial on behalf of plaintiff was denied.

Henderson & Finnel for plaintiff; John J. Riley and David C. McAdam for defendant.

MARINE COURT—PART I—FEB. 14.

Before Judge Joachimsen and a Jury.

UNMATCHED.

Theodore V. Silvie vs. *John F. Berowsky.*—Plaintiff keeps a grocery store at the corner of Fiftieth-street and Sixth-avenue, and the defendant claims to be the business representative of a firm manufacturing matches. The present suit was to recover damages for assault and battery, and the testimony developed the following general facts: Plaintiff entered defendant's store for the purpose of selling matches. Defendant was not quite in a mood to buy. Plaintiff became somewhat importunate. Defendant became somewhat irate. Impolite salutations were interchanged, and resulted in the plaintiff's striking the defendant with an umbrella, and the defendant's returning the compliment with a motion to begin mingling rent in plaintiff's coat, and an impolite shove out of doors. The jury gave plaintiff one dollar damages.

Ira D. Warren for plaintiff; Alonson Nash for defendant.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—FEB. 14.

FIRST BOARD.

$10,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '62	112¼	200 U. S. Ex	44¾
1,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '64	111¾	200 Am. M. U. Ex. b. d.	45
10,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '67, b3	110¾	100 N. Y. C. & H. R.	94¾
10,000 U. S. 5s. 10-40 C.	110¾	100 do. bet. cash	94¾
14,000 Tenn. 6s, new	64¾	10,000 N. Y. C. & H. R. Cifs	90¾
10,000 Georgia 7s	87	10 Erie	26¾
3,000 Ga. 8s. 7s. Gold bonds	94½	200 Harlem	128¾
10,000 N. C. old bonds	49¾	10 Miscellaneous	126¼
10,000 N. C. 6s, new	27	400 L. S. & M. So.	83¾
1,000 S. C. 6s, new, Jan. & July	89¾	50 do	93¾
10,000 do. Apr. & Oct	89	400 do. bet. cash	94½
1,000 do. Apr. & Oct	89	100 do.	80. 93¾
5,000 Ala. 5s	100	10 Panama	70¾
14,000 Erie 6th mort	85	200 Union Pacific	21¾
19,000 Cen. Pac. G. bds	95	200 Chi. & N. W.	76¾
5,000 do.	94¾	30 do.	76¾
7,000 Un. Pac. 7s, L. G. bonds	71	200 Chi. & N. W. Pf.	86¾
500 Alt. & T. H. 1st	96	80 do.	86¾
1,000 A. & T. H. Inc.	75	400 do.	83. 86¾
1,000 A. & T. H. 2d	83	100 Clev. & Pitts. b. c.	104¾
5,000 C. & N. W. Con.	86¾	200 N. J. Central	106¾
17,000 do.	86¾	100 Chicago & R. I.	107
2,000 T. & W. 2d	86¾	200 Mil. & St. P. b. c.	84
2,000 N. J. Cen. n. bds	80	300 Mil. & St. P. Pf.	75¾
12,000 M. & St. P. 8s, 1st	104	100 P., Ft. W. & C.	92¼
7,000 North Mo. 1st	83¾	200 Del., Lack. & W.	109¾
5,000 Mil. & St. P. 7-10, Con	93¾	125 Chicago & Alton	118
5,000 D. & Hud. Can	115	100 do.	118¾
100 Del. & Hud. Can	115	100 Chi. & Alton Pf.	120¾
50 American Coal	85	200 Ohio & Miss.	34¾
100 Quicksilver Min.	13	300 Morris & Essex	89¼
100 do. bot. cash	12¾	10 do.	89
40 Pacific Mail	43	200 Mar. & Cin. 1st Pf.	29¼
100 do.	43¾	100 Han. & St. Jos.	83
600 do.	43¾	100 do.	b60. 88¼
200 do. bot. cash	43¾	40 Han. & St. Jos. Pf.	99
1,400 do.	43¾	50 Long Island	60
		20 Bkrs' & Brokers' Ass	90

SECOND BOARD.

$10,000 U. S. 6's, '81. C., s2	114	1,000 Cen. P. Gold bds	94¾
5,000 U. S. 5-20s C., '62	111¾	12,000 do.	94¾
1,000 U. S. 5-20s, R., '65, new C.,	109¾	5,000 U. P. R., 1st M., bot. cash	81¾
50,000 U. S. 5-20s C., '65, new	109¾	3,000 C. & N. W., 1st	92¾
112,500 C. S. 5-20s C., '67, s3	110	100 Canton Company	72¾
110,000 do.	110	20 Cumb. C. & I.	29
6,000 U. S. 5-20s C.	98. 110¾	50 do.	30
10,000 U. S. 5s, 10-40s	104¾	11 West Union Tel.	46
4,000 N. C. 6s, old	49¾	10,000 N. Y. Cen. & Hud. G., b.	90¾
1,000 Tenn. 6s, new	64¾	100 Erie Railway, b. c.	23¾
2,000 Georgia 8s. 7s	87¼	200 Reading R. b. c.	93¾
2,000 do.	87¼	400 L. S. & M. So. s3	94¾
14,000 N. C. old bonds	49¾	400 do. bet. cash	94¾
10,000 do. bet. cash	49¾	400 Union Pacific R.	21¾
500 N. C. Funding Act, '68	30	200 do.	20¾
3,000 N. C. 6s, new	28¼	200 do. bet. cash	21¾
2,500 C. & N. W., 6s, Jos.	90	200 Clev. & Pitts	104¼
1,000 La. 8s. cs, old	63¾	100 Chi. & N. W.	76¾
5,000 S. C. 6s, new, April & Oct.	60¼	90 Chi. & R. I.	107¾
9,000 Alt. & T. H. 2d Pf.	88	200 Alt. & T. H.	28¾
		100 Ohio & Miss.	34¾
		20 P., F. W. C. Guar.	95¾
		100 Morris & Essex	89

TUESDAY, Feb. 14—P. M.

The sales of Gold fell off this forenoon to 111¼@111⅝@111¾ ₱ cent., on a free offering of Cash Gold by one or two Brokers, and the rumor obtained soon after their operations, that one of the parties sold, by order of the Assistant Treasurer of the United States, the January Interest belonging to the regular Sinking Fund, about $1,050,000 in amount. This interest is in charge of the United States Treasurer, and the Gold is sold and reinvested in Bonds under his orders, separate from the usual weekly sales of Gold and purchases of United States 5-20s advertised by order of the Secretary of the Treasury. There was nothing, therefore, out of the way in the alleged private sales in the Gold Room, this forenoon, assuming that rumor is correct on the subject, which we have some reason to doubt. The more remarkable incident is that the market should have been so sensitive as not to be able to bear a much larger sum. It is probable, however, that part of the *Bull* interest in the Room also sold out. The Exchange on London continues stiff at rates 109@109¼, but little removed from the Gold shipping points, and nearly all the leading drawers refuse to concede anything from these terms. The pending $500,000,000 Five ₱ cent. Loan has, no doubt, a certain prospective influence upon the speculation in Gold, as in the event of any considerable sum of this Loan going abroad, the export of Gold to meet trade balances in the Spring might be postponed until later in the season. In addition to this contingency, we believe that several recent Railway negotiations abroad have created a certain amount of Exchange for this market, and the sales of the Pacific First Mortgages, Centrals especially, and the Preferred Stock of the North-west Road, on the Continent are reported on the increase.

The decline in Gold created somewhat easier prices for the Public Funds, particularly in the 5-20s dealt in abroad. The 1862s fell to 111¾, and the 1867s to 110 ₱ cent. The coupon 10-40s declined to 110¾ ₱ cent. The Pacific Mortgages, after advancing to 95 for the Centrals and 81¾@83 for the Unions, fell off ½@¾ ₱ cent. The Missouri Pacifics are now held for 85 ₱ cent. ex February coupon. Some heavy purchases of the Stock of the Road at 95 ₱ cent. are reported to have taken place here and at St. Louis within a few days, and this has given rise to the suggestion that Mr. JOY, and his colleagues, of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, in connection, it may be, with the Pennsylvania Central people, are aiming for the control of this important highway between St. Louis and the Kansas and other Roads West, in which Mr. JOY is largely interested. The Mortgage on the Road is only $7,000,000 six ₱ cent. Gold, on an outlay of more than double the sum.

On the Stock Exchange the New-York and Western Road Stocks were very irregular and for the most part dull in the dealings of the day. The Union Pacific Shares fell below 21 ₱ cent. after the buoyancy of yesterday, which carried the sales above 22 ₱ cent. The North-west Stocks were in demand and firm; New-York Central, Rock Island and St. Paul dull; Ohio and Mississippi steady. On the Miscellaneous list Pacific Mail was higher, on report from Washington that the Post-office Committee of the House had agreed to double the China Mail subsidy. The North and South Carolina State Bonds were weaker than yesterday. Georgias and Tennessees, steady. The old Western Railway Mortgages, Currency Interest, were in demand at full prices.

In the Money market there was not much done among the Stock Brokers; the rates continue cheap on call loan, 5@6 ₱ cent.

After the late Boards the following quotations were made as compared with Monday night:

CLOSING QUOTATIONS—FEB. 14.

	Monday.	Tuesday.
United States 10-40s	111	110¾
United States 5-20s of 1862	112¾	111¾
United States 5-20s of 1867	110¾	109¾
American Gold	111¾	111
Bills on London, 60 days	109¾	109¾
New Bonds of Tennessee	64½	64½
New-York Central and Hudson	94¾	94¾
N. Y. C. & H. Debt Certificates	90¾	90¾
Reading Railroad	99¾	99¼
Chicago and Rock Island	107¼	106¾
North-west Common	76½	76¾
North-west Preferred	86½	86½
Pacific Mail	43¾	43¾
St. Paul Preferred	75¾	75
St. Paul Common	54	53¾
Lake Shore	94¼	94¾
Ohio and Mississippi	36¼	35¾
Toledo and Wabash	52¾	52½
Western Telegraph	46¼	46¼
Erie	23½	23½
St. Joseph Common	88¼	88½
Union Pacific	21½	21¾

UNITED STATES TREASURY, NEW-YORK, Feb. 14, 1871.

Gold receipts	$412,480 97
Gold payments	132,765 63
Gold balance	63,325,133 27
Currency receipts	127,399 77
Currency payments	368,290 33
Currency balance	11,659,847 51
Customs	348,000 00

The following bids were made for the various Public Funds of the United States:

6 ₱ cent. reg., '81	114½	5-20 coup., '67	110¾
6 ₱ cent. coup., '81	114¾	5-20 coup., '68	110¾
5-20 coup., '62	112	10-40 registered	107¾
5-20 coup., '64	110¾	10-40 coupon	110¾
5-20 coup., '65	111¾	6s currency	112¾
5-20 coup., n. i., '65	110¾		

And the following for the State Bonds:

Tenn. 6s, old	64½	Ark. 6s, funded	57
Tenn. 6s, new bds	64½	Ark. 7s, I. R. & F. L. S. Iss.	57
Va. 6s, old	65¾	Ohio 6s, '81	101
Va. 6s, new bonds	65¾	Ohio 6s, '86	101 ¾
Va. 6s, reg., old	50	Kentucky 6s

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THE CLANDESTINE MARRIAGE. Leading characters by Messrs. John Gilbert, Marlowe, Ringgold, Mrs. Barry, Mrs. Sefton and Miss Fowler.

FIFTH-AVENUE THEATRE.
24th-st., near Broadway.
SARATOGA. Leading characters by Messrs. Harkins, Lewis, Davidge, Miss Fanny Davenport and Miss Fanny Morant.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.
23d-st., corner 6th-av.
RICHELIEU. Characters by Messrs. Edwin Booth, Barrett, Sheridan, Miss Pateman, Miss Livingston and others.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.
Broadway, near Houston-st.
G. L. RICHELIEU, (Burlesque.) Leading characters by Mr. G. L. Fox and Misses Ada Harland and Lillie Eldridge.
MATINEE at 2 o'clock.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.
Broadway, near Prince-st.
THE BLACK CROOK. Leading characters by Messrs. Morton, Rogers, Hamilton, and Miss Pauline Markham.

FOURTEENTH-STREET THEATRE.
14th-st., near 6th-av.
KING LEAR. Leading character by Edwin Forrest.

LINA EDWIN'S THEATRE.
Broadway, near Washington-place.
HUNTED DOWN. Leading character by Miss Laura Keene.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.
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Bowery, near Canal-st.
HAMLET. Mme. Seebach as Ophelia.

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MATINEE at 2½ o'clock.

STEINWAY HALL.
14th-st., near 4th-av.
GRAND CONCERT. Artists—Miss Henrietta Beebe, Mme. R. Ritter, Miss Antoinette Sterling, Miss Marie Kreba, Messrs. J. W. Hill, F. Remmertz and others.

ASSOCIATION HALL.
23d-st., corner of 4th-av.
POETICAL RECITATIONS FROM TENNYSON. By Mr. Sidney Woollett, commencing at 3½ o'clock.

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Madison-av.
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To Correspondents.
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NEWS OF THE DAY.

FRANCE.

Minister CREMIEUX has ordered the release of BEREZOWSKI, who attempted to kill the Emperor of Russia in Paris, in 1867. The elections in Paris have been indecisive in five constituencies, and a second ballot will be necessary. A large portion of the Paris war contribution has been paid, and the bankers are prepared to loan the city the full amount. The question of a triumphal entry by the Germans into the city is still unsettled. It is said if peace is made on fair terms the Parisians will be spared the humiliation. The 24th inst. has been fixed on as the day, should the entry be resolved on. Mr. GLADSTONE, on Monday evening, denied in the House of Commons that the Germans had obstructed the revictualling of Paris. The French have proposed a prolongation of the armistice. Mr. WASHBURNE has returned to Paris. GAMBETTA is seriously ill. Furloughs have been granted to many Swiss soldiers serving on the French frontier.

GENERAL EUROPEAN NEWS.

The Italian Chamber of Deputies, by a vote of 204 to 139, sustained the policy of the Ministry that the Papal residence should be inviolable.... Sir STAFFORD NORTHCOTE has been substituted for Sir JOHN ROSE, on the Joint High Commission on American and English relations, the latter being prevented from serving by the urgency of his private engagements....The next meeting of the London Conference will be held on Thursday....The House of Commons has unanimously voted a dowry of £30,000 to the Princess LOUISE, and an annual allowance of £6,000.... The Guion steam-ship *Wyoming*, and the Cunard steam-ship *Morocco*, came in collision recently in the Mersey, and the latter had to be run ashore to prevent sinking.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, Mr. WILSON introduced a bill to provide for the selection of cadets for the Naval and Military Academies on a competitive examination. An adverse report was made on the bill remitting duties on articles donated to the suffering in France, on the ground that it would be wholly impracticable to pass upon the articles. An adverse report was also made on the bill directing the remains of Gens. ASHMAN and STEADMAN, and Consul SAULNIER to be brought home for burial, lest an inconvenient rule be thereby established. The Post-office Appropriation bill was reported, with an amendment increasing the service to China and Japan. The joint resolution awarding $5,000 to GEO. F. ROBINSON for saving Secretary SEWARD'S life was passed. The bill subsidizing a steam-ship line from New-Orleans to Mexican ports was discussed at some length, and passed by a vote of 29 to 21. A bill paying NICHOLAS TRIST $14,000 for negotiating the Treaty of Guadalupe-Hidalgo was passed after debate—24 to 18. The House bill relating to ocean telegraphs was then taken up, but no action was reached at the hour of adjournment.

In the House a petition from merchants of New-York, against unjust taxation, was presented; the Conference Committee on the West Point Appropriation bill made a report, which was agreed to, and the Tennessee contested election case, between SHEAFE and TILLMAN, was decided in favor of the latter, who is the sitting member. A report on the difficulties at West Point was then made, and occupied the attention of the House for the rest of the day. It recommended the restoration of Cadets BAIRD, BARNES and FLECKINGER, and the institution of a Court of Inquiry into the conduct of the First Class, the ringleaders in the affair of Jan. 3 to be dismissed, and the others punished according to the discretion of the Court. Mr. BUTLER moved as a substitute that the First Class be deprived of the customary furlough on graduation, and that no leave of absence, except for sickness, be allowed for one year. An additional resolution was proposed, directing an inquiry into the conduct of the officers of the Academy, with a view to their dismissal if found guilty of connivance at the wrongful acts of the First Class. The subject was discussed at length, but no vote was reached. There was a session for general debate in the evening.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

Two new railroad bills were introduced yesterday in the Senate by Mr. TWEED. One proposes to incorporate the "Whitehall and Mount Vernon Patent Railroad Company," which is to construct an elevated railroad from the Battery through broadway to Mount Vernon, taking the parks and public places on the route for stations, without compensation therefor to the City; and the other proposes a similar scheme for a road through Broadway to Yonkers. He also introduced a bill authorizing persons engaged in market business to associate together and have corporate rights. A bill to incorporate the East River Ship Canal Company, in the village of Astoria, was introduced by Mr. PIERCE. A bill authorizing the erection of school-houses and houses for clergy by religious societies was passed. The Assembly, after disposing of the general order of business, adopted a resolution setting forth that, as but one railroad company —the Erie—had responded to the resolution calling for detailed statements of their business, the Clerk be directed to serve a copy of the resolution on the New-York Central and Hudson River Railroad Companies, calling for reports by the 1st of March next.

GENERAL.

Advices from Pekin to Jan. 26 represent the North of China to be in a perfectly quiet condition.

A New-York broker, residing at Elizabeth, N. J., has offered five acres of ground and $25,000 toward building a new State-house, if the capital shall be removed to Elizabeth from Trenton.

The Auditor of the Canal Department, in answer to a resolution of the Senate, says the money borrowed for canal purposes in 1870, was $1,191,836 70, on which the interest is now being paid.

The steam-ship *Weybosset*, from New-York, for New-Orleans, has been towed to the Southwest Pass by the steamer *Mexican*, having lost her propeller off Tortugas on the 10th.

The charter election in Binghamton, N. Y., yesterday, resulted in the election of Col. WALTER WRIGHT, Republican, over D. N. LOOMIS, Democrat, by a majority of 872, the largest Republican majority ever given there. Republican Aldermen and Supervisors were chosen from every ward. The only Democratic majority given was for an Inspector of Election.

The United States Circuit Court in Boston, on petition of the author, SAMUEL J. MUSCRAFT, of Ohio, has granted an injunction on the representation of the "Drummer Boy, or Battle of Shiloh," except by payment of such a sum as may satisfy the author.

Col. THOMAS E. CHICKERING, Dr. HIRAM GOVE and EBEN WRIGHT, prominent citizens of Boston, died there, yesterday, the last two of paralysis.

Mr. HOLT, of North Reading, Mass., aged sixty years, hung himself, on Sunday night. He leaves property worth $100,000.

Mrs. BENNETT, who enacted the touching little drama at New-Hamburg over a hat which she identified as that of her husband, supposed to have been among the victims of the recent disaster, was yesterday arrested as an impostor, but was released on account of her children.

A band of 500 masked men, on horses, took ten negroes from the Union County (S. C.) jail on Sunday night, shot six of them, hanged two, and disposed of the other two in some unknown manner. The negroes were accused of murder and arson, and the pretext for slaughtering them is that they were to be removed to Columbia under a writ of habeas corpus.

The reports from Mount Washington say that clouds poured in from the sea all day yesterday, and snow began to fall at 5 P. M. The general telegrams indicate that the storm extended over a great portion of the Eastern States, and as far south as Washington.

A boiler exploded, yesterday, in WARD'S woolen mills, on the Ashuelot River, N. H., killing AMOS BURLEIGH, and demolishing the boiler-house.

What is Before Us.

The first step toward accomplishing reforms is to convince people of the absolute necessity which exists for reforms; and in this respect, at least, some progress has been made during the last few months. It is a great thing to have convinced the small number of persons in whose hands this great City is placed, that it is getting to be unsafe to perpetrate fresh jobs, and pursue a course of unlimited cheating. For the first time in some years, the Tweedites feel it to be necessary to do something for the public in return for the money which they exact. They do as little as they can help, and they do that little in as showy a way as they can devise, but it is a change for the better that they should be willing to do anything at all. By making exertions to keep the principal thoroughfares moderately clean, for instance, they know that they will gain some credit with the public; and it is wonderful that so easy and comparatively inexpensive a method of winning popularity never occurred to them before. Until very recently the street contractors were allowed to do pretty much as they pleased, but in the present state of public feeling that policy might prove hazardous, and consequently some signs of life have been given in the street-cleaning department.

Thus, however, is a small concession, and much greater reforms will have to be carried out before the public will rest satisfied. While such schemes as the Broadway Extension can be carried on with a bravado worthy of a gang of banditti, and while deliberate attempts can be made in the Legislature to persecute and harass, if not actually to close, charitable institutions not under Roman Catholic management, even Mr. PETER COOPER himself will fail to convince the people that they have intrusted their interests to safe hands. The events of the last few months have sufficiently proved that SWEENY and his friends can always make sure of getting a few well-known citizens to put the stamp of approval on any of their plans. The Ring seeks for allies at both ends of the social scale, and while they secure the very poor by flattering the prejudices which they have brought with them from other shores, or by putting money in the way of large numbers of them, they win over the rich by satisfying their views in regard to the assessment of their property. The following little table of assessments of personal property made during this and last year is vouched for to us as accurate, and tells its own tale:

William B. Astor	$125,000
John Jacob Astor	75,000
Marshall O. Roberts	100,000
Moses Taylor	900,000
A. T. Stewart & Co.	2,500,000

Mr. SWEENY and his friends know very well how to reach representative men of all classes; and, while they can make sure of apathy on the part of the bulk of the community, they care comparatively little for newspaper exposures.

Facts, however, will tell against them in the long run, and no sensible man who watches current events closely can doubt that for him and all his class there is a great work waiting to be done. He cannot be very well satisfied with the results of the elective machine, as exhibited in most of the local officials. He knows very well, for instance, it is impossible to defend the course of Controller CONNOLLY in suppressing the accounts of receipts and expenditures which the law entitles us to have. If he turns his eyes from City affairs to the Judiciary, he is not likely to be much better pleased. If Judge BARNARD is to be regarded as the highest production of the system of electing Judges, he will be tempted to join with those who wish to see that system at least greatly modified. They see a man who is applauded only in notoriously corrupt quarters, and who conducts himself on the Bench in a way which excites the indignation of all respectable people throughout the community. And yet they are aware that Gov. HOFFMAN went out of his way to appoint this very Judge to the Court of General Term, although there was a list of thirty-three Judges from which he might have chosen. Judge BARNARD is very much what the men are who placed him where he is. It is this total disregard of public interests and public opinion which has raised so deep and dangerous an opposition to the clique which now controls us. No one can doubt that, before New-York is restored to its proper position, the whole system of corruption upon which its Government is based will have to be swept away. When that day arrives, Judges without learning or principle, and who are notorious for qualities which seldom bring men into Courts of justice in a way agreeable to themselves, will disappear. It will no longer be necessary to bribe newspapers to puff off local officials. It will not be possible to see a Governor of the State playing into the hands of men like FISK and GOULD. The servants of the public may not be able to boast of their "palatial mansions," but they will be distinguished for something better than ill-gotten wealth—for honesty and a faithful performance of their duties. This change will not come in a day, any more than the scandalous system which we are endeavoring to overturn was built up in a day; but it will come whenever the people are determined to produce it, and in the meantime the duty of every man working for that change is to keep a firm belief in a good cause, and to go on working in perfect disregard of obstructions and difficulties. It is not possible to tell when success will be achieved, but it is always possible to keep on struggling for success.

One Lesson of the War.

It is sincerely to be hoped that, after what has happened at Paris, Metz, and Strasbourg, an effort will be made to incorporate in international usage some provision against the fortification of large and populous cities. The defense of such places enormously increases the sufferings of non-combatants, without exerting any influence on the fortunes of the war which might not be exercised by detached fortresses or intrenched camps. The fortifications of Metz and Strasbourg, for instance, would have offered just the same obstacles to the Prussian advance if there had not been a city within ten miles of them. The reason why the invader had to stop and besiege them was not that they contained a large collection of houses, inhabited by women, children, and traders, and manufacturers, but that they contained a considerable armed force, which could not be left behind without danger to his communications. The very same purpose would have been served by similar strongholds, containing nobody but fighting men, and far removed from any seat of population or industry. The considerations which determine the choice of a site for a fortress are, in short, and ought to be, purely military ones. If the natural advantages of the position for defensive purposes are great, and if it have water in abundance and lies on a great line of communication, it possesses all that is needed. If BAZAINE had shut himself up in an intrenched camp ten miles, or three miles, east of Metz, he would have detained just the same force of Prussians which he detained by holding the City of Metz itself. The same thing may be said of Strasbourg. Nothing was gained strategically by including the two cities in the lines of defense, while the horrors of the war were terribly increased, and enormous damage was done to all kinds of property—such as books, works of art, public monuments—which are the heritage of the civilized world.

The custom of fortifying great cities is simply a mediæval tradition. Cities were, during the middle ages, not simply collections of people, formed for industrial and social purposes, but veritable places of refuge. People lived in them, and surrounded them with walls, in order to secure themselves from plunder, not in time of war only, but in time of peace. Nearly all the great nobles who held the open country were highway robbers, and a man who wanted to follow an honest calling, and enjoy his gains in peace, had to get behind fortifications of some kind. At a later period, too, when armies were simply great bodies of marauders, and drew most of their pay in plunder, it was doubtless highly desirable to protect seats of industry from being entered by them without terms of capitulation. But in our day, the worst that open towns have to fear from the occupation by hostile forces is the levying of a contribution, which, in most cases, is a bagatelle compared to the damage done by a siege—putting the loss of life out of the question.

The capital of a country, and particularly a capital like Paris, which has long been associated in the popular mind in a peculiar degree with the seat of Government, seems at first sight to constitute an exception to this rule; but certainly the history of the siege does not seem to furnish a very strong argument against it, even as regards a capital. The reason why the fall of Paris is exercising such an important influence on the fortunes of the war is, that it releases two hundred and fifty thousand Germans for operations in other parts of the country. But what held these Germans hitherto was not Paris, but a line of forts containing nearly the same number of fighting men, and this line of forts might have been anywhere on the great lines of railroad leading into Germany as well as at Paris. Indeed, it is now generally admitted on all hands that Paris has been a great hindrance to TROCHU'S operations. The walls have hindered the free movements of the troops, and the fear of internal political troubles distracted the attention of the Generals, and, to a certain extent, paralyzed the measures of defense. A great intrenched camp, containing no civilians, and well provisioned, would clearly have given the Prussians twice the trouble.

In fact, if any lesson has been taught by both our war and by the present one, it is that the best service the defenders of invaded territory can render to invaders is to shut up large masses of their men in fortresses, and let them stand a siege. The great object of an invader is always to get hold of the enemy's fighting men, and capture or destroy them. If he has to march after them, hither and thither, and try to overwhelm them by the skillfulness of his manœuvring, he labors under an enormous disadvantage. The population is hostile to him; his communications are in constant peril; his supplies, and, above all, his ammunition, have to be drawn from great distances; his knowledge of the country is necessarily imperfect; and the defenders have it in their power, owing to the long range of modern arms, to throw up earth-works anywhere in a single night, which, stoutly defended, may bar the march of an army for a week. Nothing, therefore, can better suit the necessities of the invader's position than that his enemy should throw themselves in great bodies into fortified towns, where he can sit down around them, accumulate depots, house himself, and make himself generally comfortable, and wait for the effects of his presence on the industry of the country, and on the spirits of the people, and finally for the effects of famine and repeated defeats on the besieged. For, owing to the breech-loading rifles, and the increased use made of the spade, it is now painfully clear that besiegers find as little difficulty in keeping the besieged from breaking out, as the besieged find in preventing the besiegers from breaking in.

Democratic Dread of an Honest Ballot.

The House of Representatives will today take up one of the measures which have been introduced to amend and enforce the General Election law enacted last session. The Democratic newspapers have for some days assailed, not merely the measures, but the objects they are designed to accomplish, as at variance with the constitutional rights of States; and we expect that the Democrats in the House will employ all possible devices to stay the progress of a reform which jeopardizes their power in the large cities.

"Bayonet election laws" is the phrase employed by the Tammany organ in this City to indicate the odiousness of the contemplated legislation in Democratic eyes. "A new and sweeping act to be passed through Congress," is the announcement resorted to to inflame the ardor of the faithful. If there were no other information available than that which reaches the public through the organs of the opposition, we might, perhaps, conclude that the majority in Congress are engaged in a conspiracy to pervert elections to partisan uses. We should probably look upon the State and local authority exercised in a City like New-York as on the side of law and order in all matters pertaining to elections. We should believe that only those entitled to vote actually vote, and that only the votes actually cast are counted in making up the returns. If we further accepted the Democratic version of the Congressional policy, we should detest that policy as an infamous invasion of authority which, under the Constitution, is vested in the States,—as an attempt to corrupt the ballot-box and control elections by fraud and force, for the sole purpose of manufacturing a Republican majority. Such are the impressions which ignorant and credulous readers of the political instruction that is doled out to the Democratic masses may be supposed to deduce from current discussions in reference to the Election law.

One glance at notorious facts is sufficient to prove the absurdity of these misrepresentations. The Democrats, say in this City of New-York, are by force of local law masters of everything. They control the registration of voters, and swell the lists to the proportions they desire. They control the polling places, and the Police, and the Justices, and so render repeating a safe and even an amusing operation. They have the counting of votes in their own hands, and count candidates in or out as occasion may require. All this is done, election after election, with a method that is infallible, and a daring which in other circumstances might possibly be admired. This is the patent Democratic process for conducting an election, and this process it is which the organs of the party would fain perpetuate in its native impurity.

What has Congress done, and what does it propose to do? It says that so far as Congressional elections are concerned, this process shall be tolerated no longer. It holds that there must be honesty at the ballot-box, or there can be no safety for Republican institutions, and it proclaims its determination to prevent the frauds that have hitherto been practiced with impunity. It takes cognizance of the registration lists, not to manipulate them after the manner of Tammany, but simply to see that only names are there which are there lawfully. It places the polls under Federal supervision, not to influence votes, but to guarantee order, and to seize and punish those who would unlawfully vote. So far it has gone already, and with results which, by comparison, are satisfactory. Federal officials, indeed, allowed themselves to be circumvented at the polls last November, and something that might have been gained was lost. And the failure to provide a Federal restraint upon the counting, made possible frauds which the Democratic managers promptly turned to their party's account.

The legislation now proposed is intended to do nothing more than perfect the working of a plan which has been partially tried with the best results. Registration, voting, and counting are all provided for with the single purpose of enabling the lawful voter to vote, and of securing for his vote the influence it is entitled to in relation to the final result. The only class who can object are the persons who misuse the machinery of an election, and the ruffians who stand ready to do their bidding. Care is taken to maintain order, and Federal authority pledges itself to repress violence, and punish all who attempt it. There may be something unpleasant in these precautionary measures, but it is quite certain that there is nothing in them, or in their object, that can be distasteful to the honest citizen. If Federal power is employed at an election to put down disorder, it will be because local authority is unequal to the emergency, or—as in this City—is identified with the enemies of law and peace.

The History of the Broadway Opening in a Nut Shell.

On Monday last Mr. TWEED introduced a bill in the Senate to provide for a revision by the General Term of the Supreme Court of this City of the "Broadway opening;" to give any Justice of that Court power to vacate the order confirming the Commissioner's report, and to refer the matter back to new Commissioners—the property-holders being in the meantime stayed from attempting to collect their awards.

When it is remembered how short a time has elapsed since Mr. "ALEC" FREAR, that particular friend of the Ring, introduced and hurried through the House a bill for the repeal of the act providing for this so-called improvement, at the same time that Mr. TWEED introduced a similar bill in the Senate Committee, it is a little surprising how the measure has all at once fallen into disfavor with the Ring. What are the facts in relation to the frauds alleged to have been perpetrated in this widening of Broadway? Why is Mr. TWEED so anxious to investigate the matter? and who are the parties that have been connected with the frauds? When the act authorizing this widening was first passed, all people who read the newspapers are aware that it was a pet measure of the Ring. It is also known that, previous to its passage, most of the property most likely to be benefited by the proposed improvement, or which would receive the largest awards for damage, fell either directly or indirectly under the control of members of the Ring, although held in the names of third parties. The appointment of the Commissioners was not made in the regular Court-room, but in Room Thirteen, the Star Chamber of the Supreme Court. Mr. Justice CARDOZO, presiding over that awful tribunal, appointed as Commissioners CHARLES B. CORNELL, (formerly Street Commissioner and now holding a lucrative position in the Department of Public Works,) JAMES S. HENNESSY, (one of the Commissioners of the Fire Department and brother-in-law of JOHN J. BRADLEY, the City Chamberlain, who is the brother-in-law of PETER B. SWEENY,) and THOMAS MURPHY, the Collector of the Port. Mr. MURPHY having resigned, Mr. JOEL S. FITHIAN, (Controller CONNOLLY'S son-in-law and the Deputy Receiver of Taxes,) was appointed in his place. He having subsequently resigned, JAMES B. NICHOLSON, (a protégé of PETER B. SWEENY, and one of the Commissioners of Charities and Correction under an appointment of Controller CONNOLLY,) was substituted. Surely these were people in whom the Ring could safely confide? It is true that stupendous frauds are reported, upon the best authority, to have been committed in the affair, and they should be exposed. But the good intentions of Mr. TWEED become rather more doubtful when it is recollected that among the most conspicuous among the names appearing in the transactions were those of particular friends of the Ring—such, for instance, as JOHN SCOTT, now Police Justice, who has always been a henchman of "Boss" TWEED, and who, at the time of his bankruptcy, transacted much of his (TWEED'S) business, and up to the time of his election as Judge held a nice place under him. The explanation, however, is simple. The Ring are in a fix. For once they are snared in their own trap.

It is publicly stated, and not denied to our knowledge, that most of the *bona fide* property-holders to whom awards have been made greatly beyond their just dues, amounting to millions of dollars—owners, we mean, who did not hold as the representatives of the Ring—were required to make assignments of their claims to JAMES WATSON, who was the County Auditor under Controller CONNOLLY. WATSON was killed while sleighing in Harlem-lane, and the Ring at once saw that not only would they lose all their property actually held by him for their benefit, but that upon the settlement of his estate these alleged assignments would instantly call for explanation.

At once a new device was adopted. The Ring assumed the garb of virtue, and gave out that the expense of this opening would be enormous, that gross frauds had been committed, and the "job" must be overturned. With this view it was at first proposed to repeal the act authorizing the improvement. This, it was understood, would make the purchases and assignments valueless, as they were based upon the contingency of the awards being made. But new complications have arisen. The honest property-holders have consulted their lawyers, and the better opinion appears to be that the title to the land taken being vested in the City by the confirmation of the Commissioners' report—which, by the bye, was also done in Room Thirteen—the Legislature has no power to alter the transaction. It is now sought to effect the same result by giving an appeal which did not previously exist to a Court known to be willing to carry out whatever the Ring requires; but it would seem as if this step were liable to many objections. It is a mere attempt "to do indirectly" what the law prohibits doing "directly." Would it not be well to appoint a Committee to examine the books of the Commissioners for widening Broadway, consisting of JOHN JACOB ASTOR and Messrs. TAYLOR and MARSHALL O. ROBERTS, to which might be added that paragon of disinterestedness, Mr. NATHANIEL SANDS?

Prof. Agassiz and Natural Science.

An address delivered by Prof. AGASSIZ in Boston, on Tuesday, has more than local importance. It relates to the value of the natural sciences and their progress in America; and it was delivered at a meeting held to consider that part of the late Message of the Governor of Massachusetts which refers to the Cambridge Museum of Comparative Zoölogy. To that Museum Prof. AGASSIZ has substantially given up the last ten years of his life. Eight years ago he left off writing. Persuaded of the vast consequence of the institution then originated, he resolved to devote to it his undivided energies. The lecture of Tuesday describes in a general way what has been accomplished by this Museum, and points out what remains to be done.

The value of such a collection, as organized and classified by a scientific man of the rank of Prof AGASSIZ, cannot well be overestimated. Perhaps it should be explained that the Museum, notwithstanding its title, covers a wider range than is included in the natural history of living animals. Mineralogy, and, in fact, natural science, in the extended sense, is understood to be embraced in its scheme. As an instance of the practical value of collections made or contemplated, the single article of coal may be considered. In order to apprehend fully the characteristics or peculiarities of American coal, either of old or new veins, it is necessary to have specimens of all the coal-beds of Europe. When this principle is applied to all commercial products, and they can be found accurately classified and universally accessible, the advantage to a community is obvious. Now, Prof. AGASSIZ complains that scientific institutions in this country do not receive anything like the support they deserve, or that is granted to them in the Old World. The total annual expenditure of a single foreign institution named by him, exceeds half a million of dollars, which is provided by Government; the income of his Museum so far barely exceeds ten thousand dollars. Yet even as it is, it has helped to educate many teachers who now hold high positions as teachers throughout the country. A German paper says that one of the last bulletins of the Museum contains the most valuable contributions to science that have been made during the last year; and one of the London quarterlies declares that more knowledge has been gained from one of these bulletins than from half a dozen similar publications issued by the British Museum.

There is at present in the Cambridge establishment a corps of twenty-six persons employed. The "instructor" is, of course, Prof. AGASSIZ himself. The "agent," who has a great deal of work to do, gives his services gratuitously. Of course, the remaining salaries and other expenses are not paid from the ten thousand dollars mentioned. Private individuals have paid many of these salaries. One person gave six thousand dollars, another four thousand dollars, a third three thousand dollars, and so on. Although assisted by this means, the Museum is a State institution, and State officers are on its board of government. The grants, however, are insufficient; and certainly Prof. AGASSIZ makes out a strong case in favor of increasing them. Twenty years ago it was actually proposed to send a collection made in this country to Europe to be "identified"—that is, to have its classification authenticated by experts—a clear confession of inferiority. Prof. AGASSIZ prevented this from being done; and now scientific bodies throughout the world send to his Museum for aid, and distinguished foreign Professors acknowledge that some of the most valuable analyses and other contributions come from Cambridge. It should be remembered that the New World collection has in one respect a great advantage. The Museums of Europe were organized before science was brought to its present state. "They represent views and opinions on natural history," says Prof. AGASSIZ, "held by LINNÆUS and his followers, the most advanced of them holding to the views established by CUVIER. Now, since that time—that is within the last forty years—natural history has made colossal strides." As a consequence, the European Museums will have to be reorganized in order to represent the true condition of science at the present time; while the American institution, so far as it goes, is an accurate exponent of modern discovery.

We understand that Prof. AGASSIZ now requires for the proper development of the Museum a sum of fifty thousand dollars for the arrangement of specimens alone, and twenty-five thousand dollars for other needful equipments. To do all which, in the opinion of Prof. AGASSIZ, is now necessary to place this admirable institution on a proper footing, about $500,000 is required, a sum which does not appear large when we consider that the outlay of the British Museum exceeds it [illegible] such sums. The people of the United States owe a large debt of gratitude to Prof. AGASSIZ—a fact not likely to be disputed. His labors [illegible] in the cause of science have been [illegible]; and he has shown that this country should be their field, and that this country should have the credit of them. Apart, then, from the claims of science, or rather in addition to those claims, high personal consideration is due to Prof. AGASSIZ; and we trust that whether expressed in the grants of the State, or in the contributions of individuals, this obligation will be amply recognized.

MINOR TOPICS.

The public have so little faith in the legislative investigations with which Albany has familiarized them, that the joint resolution adopted yesterday, directing inquiry into the New-Hamburg horror, will not inspire very profound confidence. The fitness of ordinary legislators to conduct an inquiry involving much technical and business knowledge, is not by any means established; and besides, there is always a suspicion that any proceeding of this sort may, by well understood means, be hushed up before it reaches the critical point. If these suspicions do Senators and Assemblymen injustice in this particular case, they must remember that they and their predecessors have educated opinion upon the subject. Having, however, now undertaken the New-Hamburg investigation, we can but urge that experts be employed to aid the Joint Committee, and that the inquiry, instead of being limited to the causes and incidents of this disaster, shall embrace all the points that are necessary for guidance in any legislation that may be proposed.

We give in another column an exceedingly telling defense by Census Superintendent WALKER of the course followed by him in enumerating the population of this City. The parallel case of Philadelphia, where the gain by a Winter enumeration has been almost identical with that of New-York, is sufficient of itself to prove that the sixteen thousand odd which we have obtained by a second numbering were, in a season of ruralizing, utterly beyond the reach or knowledge of the Census Marshals. It is one of the characteristics of Democratic criticism to remain profoundly unconscious of the logic of facts, but in the present case the proofs are strong enough to warrant the belief that, if not convinced, the objectors to the census will, at least, be silenced.

In spite of the ominous hisses of artisan voters, and the wide-spread feeling of popular discontent, the Princess LOUISE of England has got her dowry. Even the two Members of Parliament for Brighton, who stood pledged to vote against it, seem to have found their courage fail them at the last moment, for the cable assures us it was voted without a dissentient voice. The *Spectator*, in an article we reproduced the other day, was no doubt in unison with the upper ranks of English Liberals, in adverting to the popular feeling on the dowry question as a specimen of cheese-paring economy. Popular sentiment, though frequently illogical enough to begin with very trivial details, is nevertheless generally sufficiently consistent not to stop there. There is a more deeply-seated public opinion about royalty, of which this is but a slight revelation, and British Liberals of the intellectual class would do well to consider it carefully.

The outrage reported from South Carolina tends further to justify the investigation in progress before Senator MORTON'S Committee. Nothing more shameful can be imagined. Ten negroes, confined in Union County Jail on charges of murder and arson, were on Sunday night taken out by a large band of masked horsemen, and eight of them were murdered. The only assigned cause is a rumor that the prisoners were about to be removed on writs of habeas corpus. But nothing can mitigate the outrage, or reconcile the country to the state of things which makes it possible.

Our Albany Senators have before them a bill extending the provisions of the law authorizing municipalities to aid in the construction of railroads. The move is in the wrong direction. Limitation of the debt-creating power is called for—not extension. Counties and municipalities in this State may find matters pleasant enough so long as they have but to issue bonds to succor railroad schemers, but the day of reckoning will come, and property-owners will then discover the madness of the policy which too many of them now encourage. Places in the West are already repenting under a crushing load of taxation, and sorrow will yet be felt in many parts of this State. If the Legislature were prudent it would discourage the whole system.

The Auditor of the Canal Department reports to the State Senate that not less than $1,191,836 was last year borrowed of banks by the Canal Board, and that on this amount interest is now being paid. The fact is a suggestive commentary upon Democratic management, and the consequences of that reckless and unconstitutional reduction of tolls to which the party is virtually pledged. Republican managers had no difficulty in keeping the canals in repair, paying interest on the debt, and reducing its principal, without injuring the traffic. In one short year, the Democrats have contrived to change all this. They have thrown away a large revenue, and squandered what they received upon an extravagant management of repairs. They have borrowed money to pay interest, and instead of reducing the debt, have in effect increased it. The contrast deserves to be remembered by the tax-payers of the State.

The Brooklyn *Eagle* makes a point of lecturing the New-York papers about professional amenities, and the sinfulness of using strong language. As usual with such lecturers, it is always the first to commit the faults which it deprecates. It may be creditable to the patriotic sympathies of the editor of the *Eagle* that he should fly into a passion over any implied reflection upon his compatriots, the Fenian exiles, or upon his friends of the Brooklyn Ring. It is hardly creditable, however, to his understanding to ask his readers to believe that we said Brooklyn had been "ruined by lavish official banqueting." The *Eagle's* familiarity with civic feasts is doubtless much greater than ours, and is always likely to be. We will go further and testify that the extreme "tightness" of the resources of the Water Board, for example, has only been very partially caused by the numerous sinecures with which he has an exceptionally good acquaintance. We shall therefore take his word for it, that the Fenian "banquet" will, neither by impeccable Democratic Supervisors nor scrupulous "Ring" Aldermen, be made the occasion of a single fresh city job, but will be most righteously paid for out of past ones. But why are the advocates and friends of the Fenians always so much more irritable than the Fenians themselves?

UNDER THE SNOW.

The City Shrouded in Another Winding-Sheet.

THE WORST STORM YET.

Standing Snow-Heaps Converted Into Mountains.

Scenes in the Metropolis—Dangers of Navigation on Land and on Water—Streets Obstructed, Vehicles Delayed, Pedestrians Supine—Sailors Frozen to Death.

The Storm King, after several lesser conquests during the past few days, has come again and captured the City. It is probably the last grand victory of the weather over the Winter season. The previous storms were more fierce, severe, tempestuous and bitter cold, but this was the heaviest and most serious The fall commenced just before daylight yesterday. At 8 o'clock a steady north-east wind arose, and upon it came showers of floating snow-flakes, tossing hither and thither like feathers, or dropping down in great scattering quantities, as though the air, the sky, the earth and sea were all adorned with fine white lace. It was a beautiful snow—just such as one as stage effects mimic and distantly resemble, but never equal. The present storm may be termed a sort of continuation or second edition of that of Sunday, the interval between the two being of short duration. The ground is covered to a greater depth than it was during the week of sleighing which succeeded Jan. 23. On the 23d, it will be remembered, the flakes fell thick and fast all day, and the weather was severely cold. The 26th inaugurated another snow-storm, which was also a hard one, and lasted all night. On the 28th it snowed, but was not a severe storm. The week of sleighing was spoiled on the 31st by rain. It rained from 2 o'clock in the afternoon until midnight. On Feb. 8 it snowed again; on the 9th it rained. The first edition of the present snow-storm occurred on the 11th, and the continuation gives us all of the "beautiful snow" that we need. The rich appear to enjoy the prospect, as it gives them a new lease of the luxury of sleighing and riding; but the poor, who shiver in penury and want, take a very different view of affairs. An army of laborers will be needed to clear out the streets and sidewalks from the accumulations of the last three days. The work will give employment to many poor persons who would otherwise have to stand idle.

The unsightly and tarnished mass that filled the streets and avenues was quickly mantled in the neatest of white by the snow-fall of yesterday. The flakes seemed to cling to everything. The window panes were furred over by them. The car windows were elegantly frosted. The houses were coated in white, and the roofs, trees, fences and people seemed clothed in ermine. Pedestrians hid their heads in their cloaks and moved along, looking like the snow-men boys love to pelt with snow-balls. Even the horses seemed coated with a white wool.

THE STREETS AND SIDEWALKS.

The preceding storms had greatly incumbered the streets. Large quantities of snow and slush had accumulated. But upon it all came this new thickness, which made them almost unmanageable. The tracks had their wheel-beds well up to the hubs, and the horses actually waded knee-deep. Those of human kind had but little better luck, and plunged along over treacherous vault-covers, granite slabs and dangerous railroad tracks—all slippery and uncertain for a foothold. The same story of many falls, bruises and sprains as we have before given might well be repeated. Heedlessness in such a simple matter of sprinkling ashes upon these spots deserves severest censure. Early in the afternoon the more sensible and considerate cartmen abandoned all attempts at the carrying of goods. Business of all kinds was almost entirely suspended. Everybody who could kept in doors and avoided the outside inclemency.

THE CARS AND STAGES.

From 7 o'clock in the morning and throughout the day, the monster snow-plows and brushes, with their eight-horse teams, were busily at work, but even then the tracks were greatly encumbered, and the cars ran under great difficulty. The Third-avenue steam dummy cars ran until after midnight. On all the routes the teams were doubled in wholesome respect for Mr. Bergh's humanitarian vigilance. The trips were necessarily very irregular, and at times almost suspended. The cars were overcrowded, and many buffeted the storm on foot-board on foot. There was a great deal of complaint for the lack of accommodation, many poor women and young working girls being compelled to walk miles in the storm. The Third, Fourth, Sixth, Seventh and Eighth-avenue lines made very good time under all the disadvantageous circumstances. The Second was irregular, and the Bleecker-street—the most difficult of all—could scarcely operate. At one time an hour elapsed without the passage of a car on that route. The Fourth-avenue cars ceased trips at 10 P. M. The East Broadway and Clinton-street ceased at 6 P. M. The Ninth-avenue ceased at the same hour.

THE ICE IN THE RIVERS.

A great deal of ice filled the ferry slips in the morning on both rivers, but nothing like the immense quantities of Monday. Most of it was fine and soft. The dense, blinding snow-flurries so thickened and obscured the air that the pilots were compelled to be guided by the fog-bells on shore. The air echoed with their tolling and the sound of warning whistles. For a time the Staten Island Ferry suspended operations. The Williamsburg boats were greatly hampered, and made no regular time. But one of the James-slip boats got a heavy load of ice on the other side was very heavy, and threatened considerable damage. The frigate *Narragansett*, which was lying in the stream, off Governor's Island, was compelled to haul up to a pier. Several barges and boats have sustained damage. The Jersey City, Weehawken and Hudson ferry-boats were greatly embarrassed in their trips. Large cakes of very heavy ice were encountered, and any quantity of smaller pieces, which wedged in the wheels, and broke several of the paddles.

DAMAGE TO CARRIAGES.

The amount of damage that has been sustained by vehicles of all kinds since the commencement of this snow-season, is immense. The humps of ice in the streets strain the springs, wrench the wheels, and not unfrequently break the axles. This has been more particularly the case with coaches and carriages, and to such an extent has it gone that at the large balls, especially when two or more occur on the same evening,—as was the case last night,—the scarcity is considerably felt.

THE MAILS AND TRAINS.

Nearly all the trains inward bound were more or less late, but not so much so as might be expected. The Boston mail, due at 5 P. M., arrived at 7. The Erie, due at 5½, arrived at 6¾. The Long Island, due at 3½, arrived at 8¼. The South mail due at 5:10 arrived at 8 P. M. The Albany, due at 10 P. M., had not arrived at midnight.

SUBSIDENCE OF THE STORM.

At about 3 o'clock the storm seemed to have spent its fury, and the snow-flakes grew smaller and were more scattered. At 5 the fall had ceased, and before dark a clear sky was visible. The thermometer at 6 o'clock A. M. was at 20°; at noon it was at 28°; at 4 P. M. it was at 30°; at midnight it was 23°. A thaw prevailed at 1 o'clock, with a prospect of its continuance through to-day—an ill-omen for expectant sleigh-riders. The present and next week will present the finest tableau of the drama of Winter. Then comes the Ides of March.

TWO SAILORS FROZEN TO DEATH.

From a sailor of the schooner *Eliza*, lying off Whitestone, we learn the following particulars of a terrible case of death from the cold. It seems a schooner has been lying off Hogg Island Reef, frozen in for the past few days, the Captain and the crew, consisting of two men and a boy, being engaged most of the time in attempting to cut a way out of the ice. Yesterday some of the people residing on the shore, noticing that everything about the schooner was still and strange, managed to get within hailing distance of the vessel, when the boy faintly made known their condition. By almost superhuman efforts the vessel was reached, and there a sickening sight was beheld. The two sailors were dead, literally frozen stiff, and the Captain and boy were nearthing frozen and starved, they having got out of supplies. The Captain, persisting in his vain efforts to reach the open sea, had frozen both of his hands and feet, and was extremely helpless. The bodies were taken ashore, and the helpless survivors taken care of.

OTHER CASUALTIES.

Edward H. Gordon, of Dutchess County, fell in Twenty-sixth-street and sustained a severe cut over the eye, necessitating his removal to Bellevue Hospital.

Andrew Wallace, of No. 351 East Thirteenth-street, fell in Tenth-street, and severely injured his hip. Sent to Bellevue Hospital.

Ellen Farrel, of No. 695 Grand-street, fell in Corlear-street and broke her leg. Taken home by the Police.

The Storm in Brooklyn.

Fulton, Atlantic, Main, and Montague streets, and all the other ferry avenues, yesterday afternoon were the scenes of stormy altercations between the throngs of cartmen and drivers who were crowded at morning and evening waiting and contesting for the precedence through the ferry gates. The boats ran quite regularly, but were filled to their utmost capacity. Everybody seemed to be going home at the same time. All crowded into the cars, of which there were an insufficient number. Great complaint was made of the negligence of the Company at such a time. The most unmanly conduct was shown by the men, who rushed from the boats and seized the cars, to the exclusion of women and children. One lady with two little girls stood in the snow facing the storm for some time, unable to get a car, the little ones crying with the cold, keen air. All the railroad tracks were greatly impeded, and snow-plows were actively employed.

The Storm in New-Jersey.

The snow-storm of yesterday was universally felt in Jersey, and entailed the usual inconvenience and discomfort to the traveling and business public. The ferry-boats plying between Jersey City and New-York made very irregular trips in the morning and forenoon, but throughout the remainder of the day and last night they, for the most part, ran on time. The horse-cars ran with great difficulty, and at long intervals, with double teams. On all the railroads the trains were more or less behind time. On the Morris and Essex Railroad the Eastern trains were from one to three hours behind, while the Western trains on the Erie line were delayed between two and a half and four hours. The local trains on the New-Jersey Road experienced but little delay. The Washington train, due in Jersey City late in the afternoon, was behind two and a half hours, while the 10:16 P. M. on the same route arrived at 11½ P. M.

THE PORTLAND DIVORCE SUIT.

The Case of Mrs. Sarah Miller Against Her Husband—Fashionable Flirtations and Their Follies—Sketch of the Trial—A Verdict for Mrs. Miller.

Correspondence of the Boston Times.

PORTLAND, Me., Saturday, Feb. 11, 1871.

For over a week past, "society," good, middling and indifferent, has been in a state of the greatest excitement over the trial of a libel for divorce, brought by Mrs. Sarah Miller against her husband, Nathaniel Jones Miller, on account of immorality, habitual drunkenness and bad usage. The parties have been considered among those whose claim to be among "the first families" could not be disputed.

The libelan is Mrs. Miller, is not much over thirty years of age, of considerable personal beauty. She is a daughter of Mr. Chas. Peters of Brooklyn, N. Y., who has done national service in filling an important public office, and who is now a commission merchant in good standing. Mrs. Miller was supported in Court by her father and two sisters—one of them Mrs. Nichols, of New-York.

Nathaniel Jones Miller is a man verging on his half-century of life. He is an extensive lumber-dealer, and report says that he is good for several hundreds of thousands of dollars—his business annually being worth from $150,000 to double that sum. The libel, as has been stated, alleged gross immorality against Mr. Miller, but this feature of it was put aside, owing to the extreme flimsiness of the proof that could be brought up in its support. The case, therefore, went before the jury on the charges of habitual drunkenness, and the bad usage of the libelant by the libelee. In defense, Mr. Miller put in the charge of immoral conduct by his wife, with one of our most prominent citizens.

Lawyer Strout took up the legal cudgels for Mrs. Miller, and 'Squire Baker on behalf of her husband, and the testimony was commenced on Thursday of last week. During the whole trial the Court-room has been densely crowded, many ladies of good standing forming parts of the audience.

The testimony regarding cruelty toward Mrs. Miller on the part of her husband, was principally furnished by the lady's family—her father and sisters. Mr. Peters swore to repeated acts of abuse of his daughter, and also as to his efforts to reclaim Miller from his drinking habits. Mrs. Miller had declared that such was the violence of her husband, that she was afraid to live with her husband; but, after repeated promises from Miller the matter was made up, but finally his conduct had become so gross and unbearable, that witness was forced to give his daughter and her family shelter in his own house.

The sisters testified that Miller was a habitual drunkard; that when he was in his drunken fits he used the most foul language toward his wife; impeached her virtue; once threw a cup of hot tea in her face; made an assault on her with an ax; impiously prayed that the Lord would look down and pity the Peters family, and especially the head thereof, for he was a fool; that Miller had been once, or oftener, put in the Police office for drunken misbehaviour; that he kept the company of strange women; that he was in the habit of intemperately beating his son; that he came home more than once and, in a fit of insane jealousy, behaved himself very badly; that the neighbors had once been called in to defend Mrs. Miller against her husband's abuse; that the visits of Gen. Shepley to Miller's house were those of a friend alone, and made more on account of her sisters than her own; and that there was no misconduct whatever to be charged against either Gen. Shepley, Mrs. Miller or her sisters. It was also testified by parties not belonging to the family that Miller was in the regular habit of drinking at unreasonable hours. The evidence also showed that a certain submissive paper had been drawn up and signed by Miller, which certified to his misconduct in the matter of drinking; and it was also confessed, on cross-examination, that liquors were used by Mrs. Miller and her friends and visitors, but not to the extent of intoxication. Furthermore, explanation was made that some $70 or $80 worth of strong liquors were used in the house within a short period for pies, jellies and sauces. Little or nothing was said about Miller's immoral conduct otherwise than in drinking, that clause of the libel having been withdrawn before the trial commenced. Further, the charge of an attempted assault with an ax was not clearly made out, no witness having seen such an act on the part of Miller. On the whole, the testimony, except as to habitual drunkenness and its verbal extravagances, was not remarkably strong.

For the defense, witnesses were brought to show that the charges of habitual drunkenness made against Miller were greatly exaggerated; that he was a man who attended strictly to business, and that his failing—which was admitted—was encouraged by his wife's example. The libelee himself was put upon the stand, and swore that he was not liquor by his wife at their marriage, and in Boston on their way home after being married; to their domestic use in Portland, and at the card parties, picnics, and outgoings there; that on one occasion, in 1867, Miller had to carry his wife to bed on account of her not being able to go herself through intoxication from drinking "old rye;" that Judge Shepley was a very frequent visitor to his house when he was absent; that he had personal reason to believe that their conduct was not virtuous; that their looks in some one or two instances, in connection with circumstances, condemned them; that he (Miller) cautioned his wife against this intimacy; that she waived off the warning by saying that people must talk, and they might as well do it about her as about another; that Shepley was also remonstrated with in similar manner, and admitted the propriety of the reproof and apologized for what he had done; that the misconduct of his wife and Shepley had frequently prompted him (Miller) to indulge in liquor; that Shepley continued to visit his house thereafter, and gave reason for much disturbance in his mind. Various presents made Mrs. Miller by Shepley—among them a necklace, chain, books and flowers, were testified to in proof of their too great familiarity.

The evidence as to immorality between Mrs. Miller and Judge Shepley given by other witnesses was somewhat inferential in character, and in no way tending to direct proof. Frequent visits to Mrs. Miller's house; tête-à-tête in darkened parlors; riding out in company; driving together publicly; sitting on doorsteps of evenings; mutual signals for meetings; the frequent use of stimulants at social meetings at home and abroad, (in which certain ladies were described, in one instance, to be "soberly intoxicated;") made up the sum total. All these signs and significations were testified to, with great fidelity to facts and dates.

The rebutting testimony, led by the libelant, had a mixed effect on what had been given before. It showed that Miller, though somewhat given to his cups, was neither a bad husband nor father, and that Mrs. Miller was not in the slightest degree given over to an appetite for strong drink. That lady herself took the stand, however, and gave her husband a very bad character for intemperance in act and speech, and for cruelty toward herself and her two children. As to guilt with Gen. Shepley, she utterly denied every feature of accusation—or that she had sinned with him in word or deed. Gen. Shepley had been invited to call to house by her husband; and, so far from his warning her against him, not a word ever passed in her hearing from him, or from any one else, which disparaged his character. She had been compelled to leave her husband's house through his intolerable bad usage.

This was substantially the testimony and defense, which occupied the Court until Wednesday evening of this week. On Thursday, Mr. Baker made a very able argument for the libelee; and on Friday and today, Mr. Strout spoke in behalf of the libelant. The jury retired at 10 o'clock, and at 2½ brought in a verdict in favor of Mrs. Miller, granting her a divorce on the ground that the defendant is guilty in form and manner set forth. The result was hailed by the waiting crowd with expressions of satisfaction.

WASHINGTON.

Report and Debate on the West Point Outrage—Custody of Money in Federal Courts—Passage of the Gulf Subsidy Bill—Prospects of the Other Schemes—Increasing the United States Courts.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—The House had an unusually interesting and somewhat exciting debate today on the report of the Military Committee on the cadet outrage at West Point. Mr. Aspen, Chairman of the Subcommittee which made the investigation, opened the debate in a speech of considerable length, reciting the circumstances of the case, and urging the necessity of the measure of discipline recommended in the Committee's report, which suggests that the ring-leaders of the outrage be summarily dismissed and the rest of the First Class Court-martialed. He was followed by Mr. Axtell briefly in defense of West Point generally. Gen. Slocum, another member of the Subcommittee, next took the floor, and made a carefully-prepared and very forcible speech in behalf of the Committee's report. He quoted very freely from the testimony with reference to the motives which induced the outrage and the belief entertained by the members of the class, that they would be able to escape punishment through the influence of those members who were sons of officials in high position. He dwelt upon the fact, which he claimed was brought out by the testimony of the Academic Board, that the interference from Washington had had a serious effect upon the discipline of the corps, and it was their belief that the First Class had calculated fully upon lenient treatment from Washington, in counting the cost of the outrage. Gen. Butler followed in a very ingenious and plausible speech in defense of the motive of the boys in perpetrating this wrong, prefacing his speech with the remark that if anybody had reason to hate West Point he had. He turned Gen. Slocum's references to interference very neatly by reminding the House that the interference complained of came not so much from the other end of the avenue as from members of Congress themselves, who selected these boys for appointment. He urged that mercy be shown the boys, who had done this wrong act from good motives, and advocated his amendment, which recommends the Secretary of War to deprive the class of the usual holiday after graduation as a punishment for their offense. Gen. Logan replied to Gen. Butler, advocating the report of the Committee and the previous question was ordered, when at nearly 6 o'clock the House adjourned. To-morrow being specially assigned to the Judiciary Committee, this report will come up in regular order as unfinished business on Thursday morning, and will then be voted on.

CUSTODY OF MONEY IN FEDERAL COURTS.

The Ways and Means Committee today authorized Mr. Hooper to report back for passage, the bill introduced in the House last July by Gen. Schenck, which provides for the better custody of moneys paid into the Courts of the United States. It requires all moneys in the registry of any Court of the United States or in the hands or under the control of any officer of such Court which were received in any cause pending or adjudicated in such Court within thirty days after the passage of this act, to be deposited with the Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer, or a designated depository of the United States in the name and to the credit of such Court, and all such moneys which are hereafter paid into such Courts or received by the officers thereof, shall be forthwith deposited in like manner. It further provides that no money deposited as aforesaid shall be withdrawn except by order of the Judge or Judges of said Courts respectively in term or vocation, to be signed by such Judge or Judges, and to be entered and certified of record by the Clerk, and every such order shall state the cause in or on account of which it is drawn. Failure to comply with these requirements is made a misdemeanor, and for personal use or embezzlement of any such moneys heavy penalties are provided.

SUBSIDY OF THE GULF STEAM-SHIP LINE.

The subsidy for a line of steamers in the Gulf of Mexico, which Mr. Kellogg has been so persistently urging for some weeks, was voted by the Senate today, but the bill was amended in many particulars. The bill was before the Senate as unfinished business. At 1 o'clock Mr. Cole rose to move to postpone it for the Appropriation bills, but being assured by Mr. Kellogg that a vote would be reached without much debate, he yielded, and the subject appearing each moment to be near an end, he allowed it to proceed without forcing his motion. The principal change made was in striking out the names of the corporators altogether, and directing, instead, the Postmaster-General to advertise and contract with parties who offered the best terms. The amount of the subsidy granted is $100,000 annually. The bill goes on to the Speaker's table in the House, and will hardly be reached this session. The vote was 29 to 21.

TIRED OFFICE-HOLDER.

Collector Laimbeer, of the Eighth New-York District, arrived here this morning to hasten, if possible, the time when he shall be relieved from official duties. He is *rara avis* among office-holders.

THE OTHER SUBSIDY BILLS.

The passage of the Gulf Line Subsidy bill by the Senate is not regarded as indicating any favor with subsidies generally. There are but two other bills of the kind which seek action by the present Congress. One is known as the Australian line, and is urged at the present time on the ground that aid will be given in Australia to assist in its establishment. The only hope of the "friends" of the measure is in having it tacked on an appropriation bill, and it is understood that the Senate Appropriation Committee has decided to recommend an annual allowance of $375,000. A half million was the amount asked. The "Atlantic line" has concluded to content itself with the postages for a subsidy, if it can get them, though some additional gains in the way of drawbacks, &c., are also sought. There is not the slightest prospect of its receiving final action, and if any further subsidies could be put through, the vigilance and carefulness exercised today in pruning and amending the bill passed, is an assurance that no margin could be left for lobbyists and jobbers.

INCREASING THE FEDERAL COURTS.

There are nearly a dozen bills before Congress providing for additional United States Judicial Districts. The first one of them to come before the Senate was one authorizing terms of United States District Courts to be held at Helena, Ark. This does not, it is true, establish an additional district, but precedents were alluded to by Mr. Trumbull, in which similar legislation had led in a very short time to such a result. The effect of increasing largely the number of United States Courts in adding to the expenditure of the Treasury, and burdening the Supreme Court beyond the amount of labor for which it has time, and that, too, from business which could as well be brought before the State Courts, was shown by Mr. Trumbull. This bill came from the House, and was reported in the Senate from the Judiciary Committee, with amendments.

SOME REMARKS ON SAN DOMINGO TO BE EXPECTED.

Mr. Morton today gave notice that to-morrow morning he would call from the table the resolutions of the Indiana Legislature instructing the Senators from that State to oppose the annexation of San Domingo, for the purpose of submitting some remarks regarding them.

AN HOUR EARLIER.

An order was made by the Senate today that on Monday next, and thereafter till the end of the present Congress, the daily sessions shall begin at 11 o'clock, instead of 12. There is a strong opposition to night sittings, unless absolutely necessary for the completion of important business. All propositions thus far to hold them have been promptly voted down. The fixing of 11 o'clock as the hour of meeting will furnish a further argument against them, but Mr. Nye gives notice that he will call up every day his resolution for a night session on the Sutro Tunnel bill, till the Senate will act upon it, and in view of Sutro's boring qualities, success in securing a hearing at least may be anticipated.

PROSECUTION OF CLAIMS.

The Committee on Finance reported favorably to the Senate today the House bill prohibiting employes of the Government from prosecuting claims before the Departments within three years from the time when they were employed, but some important amendments were recommended, one of which limits the restrictions of the bill to persons employed in the Departments here; another provides that claims against the Government must be presented within six years of the time of their accruing, except in the case of loyal persons at the South. This bill is designed to prevent the practice of clerks and officers resigning to become prosecutors against the Government, which has been quite common, and to which attention has been prominently called by the Chorpenning case.

EXPORTATION OF WHISKY IN BOND.

The Senate Finance Committee favors the plan of Commissioner Pleasonton for the exportation of whisky in bond, but it will most likely fail the present session and go over to the new Congress.

MINISTER TO CHILI.

The Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate, today, had under consideration the nomination of Joseph P. Root as Minister to Chili, and voted, by the casting vote of Mr. Sumner, to recommend confirmation.

GAME OF THE CLAIM AGENTS.

There is an effort making by some claim agents of Memphis, Tenn., from what are deemed no commendable motives, to prevent the further payment of bounties to colored soldiers through the Freedmen's Bureau, and to defeat the appropriations for that object. Of course, a discontinuation of this mode of payment would bring business to these claim agents, and that too of a kind particularly desired by agents of easy consciences.

END OF A CONTESTED ELECTION CASE.

The House today finally decided the election case of Sheafe *vs.* Tillman from Tennessee, in favor of Tillman, Republican, the sitting member.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

THE NEW LOAN.

A large number of national banks have already accepted the invitation of the Treasury Department to act as agents in the negotiation of the new loan and those that accept will be so designated.

The following is an extract from a letter of H. Kreisman, Consul at Berlin, to the Secretary of the Treasury, dated Berlin, Jan. 25: "But for the war our bonds would be at par, and the new five per cent. bonds would be largely taken. Peace seems now nearer than at any time previous, and with it, I am sure, a market for our new bonds will open, provided always that you will be permitted to go on reducing the public debt, thereby wiping out the premium on gold. If the hue and cry for revenue and tariff reform prevails, and reductions are made so as to prevent a considerable surplus of our income over our expenditures, we will not be able to place our new five per cents here."

PRINTING REVENUE STAMPS.

Commissioner Pleasonton has contracted with the Continental Bank Note Company of New-York for the printing of one color of the proposed new issue of distilled spirit and tobacco stamps, the second, or finishing printing, to be done by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing of the Treasury Department.

THE ALLEGED CONGRESSIONAL BIGAMIST.

The trial of Representative Bowen, for bigamy, was continued in the Criminal Court today. A novel feature of the proceedings was the testimony of John Wilkinson, who swore he believed he was married to the woman known as Mrs. Parke Bowen or Tabitha Bromela, and that Judge Henderson performed the ceremony in 1860. She wanted to be married and have C. C. Bowen's name, which he assumed. She offered witness $200 as compensation and he took the money; he did not remain with her, and never saw her again until yesterday in Court. Wilkinson said he had no particular business, but played card and kept a faro bank. Judge Henderson was recalled, say he never saw Wilkinson before now, and did not marry him to Tabitha Parke. This witness also swore that in 1860 he was Clerk of the Circuit Court, and Judge of the Probate Court in Tallahassee. He identified the certificate of marriage issued to Tabitha Parke and C. C. Bowen by him as clerk, and as Judge performed the marriage ceremony in accordance with the laws of Florida. He recognized Mrs. Bowen now in Court as the lady he married to Bowen. At this time they lived as man and wife for twelve months to his knowledge. Mr. Wilkinson having left the Court-room he was sent for, but could not be found. The above refers to the first marriage of Bowen, the second marriage with Mrs. Susan P. King being unquestioned.

THE NEW LAND COMMISSIONER.

Hon. Willis Drummond, the new Commissioner of the General Land Office, was introduced to the clerks in his office yesterday afternoon, and today took formal charge of the office.

LIGHT-HOUSES ON THE LAKES.

The Light-house Board has issued a notice to mariners, giving an account of the changes of lights on the northern and north-western lakes.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

The following are the receipts and expenditures of the Treasury for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1870:

Receipts of Customs	$42,064,522 98
Receipts of Internal Revenue	31,033,265 08
Sales of Public Lands	150,918 28
Miscellaneous sources	11,496,616 26
Net receipts	$85,097,120 60

The following are the expenditures for the same period:

Civil and miscellaneous	$16,062,316 73
Navy	4,938,996 27
Indians	12,996,674 52
Pensions	6,524,233 34
Interest on the public debt	25,494,564 80
Net expenditures	$74,115,723 42

NOMINATIONS.

The following nominations were sent to the Senate today:

George H. Olney, Collector of Internal Revenue for the Second District of Rhode Island; William S. Chichester, Surveyor of Customs at Lavaca, Texas; William L. Ashmore, Collector of Customs at Burlington, N. J.; Thomas Russell, Collector of Customs at Boston and Charlestown, Mass.; Capt. Peter S. Michie, Professor of Natural and Experimental Philosophy at the United States Military Academy: Spencer F. Baird, Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries, under the resolution of Feb. 9, 1871; Henry David. Consul at Martinique, Mexico; John Bruce, United States Judge for the Eastern District of Texas; Russell Hastings, Marshal for the Northern District of Ohio.

AMUSEMENTS.

Musical.

PROF. BARILI'S AMATEUR ITALIAN OPERA.

The first representation of Prof. Antonio Barili's amateur opera company will occur tonight at the Theatre of the Union League Club. Good reasons exist for commending this enterprise warmly to public support. There will be a fine chorus and orchestra, and great things are expected from the principal singers. The opera chosen is the "Maria di Rohan," of Donizetti. One or two of the artists are professionals, but most of them are amateurs. It should be remembered, however, in this case, that the amateurs are the possessors of fine voices, trained under the supervision of one of the foremost masters of the time, who thus in some sort stakes his reputation on their merit and achievements. We wish Prof. Barili and his fair pupils all possible success, being quite sure that they have labored hard to deserve it.

MADRIGAL SOCIETY CONCERT.

A charitable madrigal concert is to be given, on Friday next, at Steinway Hall. The proceeds will be devoted to the Woman's Aid Society. This is one of the noblest of Metropolitan charities. It is a mission work, and for the last five years has been sustained by ladies of the different Evangelical Churches of the City. The "Home" is at No. 41 Seventh-avenue. It is for the reception, temporarily, of poor and friendless girls, between the ages of twelve and twenty-five. No erring girls are received there, the managers believing that, while both classes are worthy of attention and effort, they should not be kept together. The concert on Friday will be very attractive. It includes some of the loveliest madrigal music yet heard here. Beethoven, Hullah, H. R. Bishop, Reisiger, Ernst, and others are represented in the programme, and we observe in the list of ladies and gentlemen many of our finest voices. The entertainment is given under the direction of the following officers: Mrs. Wm. Walker, First Directress, No. 117 East Twenty-first-street; Mrs. Chas. Tiffany, Second Directress, No. 255 Madison-avenue; Mrs. James Stuart, Secretary, No. 27 East Thirty-seventh-street; Mrs. John H. Mortimer, Treasurer, No. 10 West Thirty-second-street; Rev. W. A. Masker, Chaplain, No. 41 Seventh-avenue. Either of these ladies or the gentleman named will be glad to receive contributions in aid of the Home.

Miscellaneous.

MISS GLYN'S READINGS.

Miss Glyn read "Macbeth" before an appreciative audience, at the Theatre of the Union League Club, on Monday evening. We have spoken before of the merits of this recital, which includes points of excellence deserving high commendation. The lady reads again, at the same place, this afternoon, at 2 o'clock—on this occasion selecting the "Merchant of Venice." The final reading of this series for the evening will be given on Monday the 20th, when "Antony and Cleopatra" may be heard; and the last matinée on the succeeding Wednesday, when the play will be "King John." All who have not heard Miss Glyn, who is an elocutionist of striking vigor, of powerful dramatic instincts, and of ripe experience, should not omit to take advantage of these opportunities.

NOTES FROM THE PEOPLE.

Collector Murphy and Mr. Andrews.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

It appears from extracts furnished the *Tribune* of the 14th inst., that the Eighteenth District Political Compromising Association have been in session, on which occasion the patriotic Rufus Andrews kindly consented to interest his pure-minded followers with a speech He is reported to have said:

1. Murphy's appointment was unfortunate.
2. Unless Murphy is turned out the people will not support Grant.
3. Murphy has cut off the official heads of the strongest supporters of the Republican Party.
4. He is a low Irishman, holding a position to which he is not entitled.
5. Unless the Republicans carried New-York in 1872, no Republican President would be elected.

Now, Mr. Editor, the above statements naturally suggest the following questions and answers:

1. Why was Mr. Murphy's appointment unfortunate? Was it because you, on account of your affiliation with Tammany Hall politics, lost your political party standing, or because the duties have been honestly collected, and thereby the revenues increased? [See recent letter of the Secretary of the Treasury.]

2. "The people will not support Grant unless Murphy is turned out of office." Mr. Andrews is one of the last men who would be authorized to speak for the people thus. The people are thoroughly Democratic, and vote as they think. They do not think Andrews, Gridley & Co., entitled to their whole confidence, or even to a large part of it.

3. "Mr. Murphy has cut off the official heads of the strongest supporters of the party." Yes, Mr. Andrews—heads have been cut off, but the question as to whether they were the heads of the strongest supporters of the Republican Party or not is as yet undecided. That they were strong and liberal dealers in Republican politics is admitted. But it is not much of a loss to have the traitors unearthed.

4. "Mr. Murphy is a low Irishman, holding a position to which he is not entitled." This abuse will hurt no one. Is Mr. Andrews prepared to wage a crusade against every man who happens to be of Irish parentage? If so, he will have enough to do. We have heard about the "low Dutch," but never suspected that a successful and upright business career would cause a whole class among us to be stigmatized as "low Irish."

5. Mr. Andrews informs us that unless the Republicans carry New-York in 1872, no Republican President will be elected. Mr. Andrews, your Chairman informed the public in the columns of his paper not many days since, (and gave reliable figures to prove that what he wrote was so,) that without New-York State a Republican could be easily elected President in 1872. Come to some understanding on the matter, and don't cause the rank and file to be disheartened on account of your differences of opinion. D. G. C.

Erie's "Scandalous" Affidavits.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The report of the proceedings in the case of Thompson *vs.* the Erie Railway Company, at the General Term of the Supreme Court, sitting at Albany, in some of the morning papers of Friday last, is entirely incorrect, so far as it relates to the action of the Court in regard to the affidavits struck out by Judge Rosekrans as scandalous and impertinent. Judge Rosekrans' order was not reversed, nor was any opinion expressed by any member of the Court against its correctness. The order on this subject dated Feb. 7 was entered entirely without authority, and on the matter being brought to the Court's notice, the following order, which recites the proceedings actually had, was duly made and entered:

At a General Term of the Supreme Court of the State of New-York, held in and for the Third Judicial Department of said State, at the City Hall, in the City of Albany, on the 13th day of February, A. D. 1871. Present, Hon. Theodore Miller, Presiding Justice; Hen. Platt Potter and John M. Parker, Associate Justices.

John W. Thompson and Mary T. De Forest vs. The Erie Railway Company. The defendant having made application that the affidavits and parts of affidavits struck out as scandalous and impertinent by Justice Rosekrans, may be filed and used as a part of the papers used on the motion made at Special Term, Nov. 17, 1870, and inserted in the papers on appeal from the order of that date, and the plaintiffs consenting thereto on condition that the affidavit of Frank Thompson, sworn to Nov. 30, 1870, referred to in the affidavit of T. G. Shearman, adjudged to be struck out, also be considered as a part of the said motion papers on such appeal.

Ordered that all of said affidavits be put upon the files of the Court as part of the papers in this matter, and this order is made without passing upon the question whether said affidavits were scandalous or impertinent.

Ordered that the order herein entered at General Term by the defendant's attorney touching said affidavits, and dated Feb. 7, 1871, be canceled and removed from the files.

(Copy.) JOHN McEWEN, Clerk."

All the questions involved in the motion before Judge Rosekrans, including the propriety of the affidavits struck out by him, are still held under advisement by that Court.

This communication would not be necessary, nor would any application to annul the order of Feb. 7 have been made had not that order been so extensively published, and the Court's action so entirely misapprehended.

JAMES EMOTT,
FRANK THOMPSON.

NEW-YORK, Tuesday, Feb. 14, 1871.

Judge Barnard and W. O. Bartlett.

From the Troy Daily Whig, Feb. 13.

To be generally known and notorious is not always to have a good reputation. Judge Barnard is a notorious Judge. His decisions in the Erie litigations are notorious. But he was notorious long before his acquaintance with Jay Gould and Jim Fisk. He was notorious as a Judge six or eight years ago. He became notorious for his orders and decisions in a certain insurance case, for which Attorney-General Martindale drew articles of impeachment against him, and which were not presented, for reasons well known to the Judge. Other papers were presented to the Judiciary Committee in another case, for his conduct in a litigation which went to the Court of Appeals, whose decision of the case was not creditable to Judge Barnard. It gave occasion for an article in the *North American Review*, in which the Judge was handled very roughly. It was the ground for a reference to him by Mr. Beecher in his pulpit. In short, the Judge became notorious.

In Saturday's New-York *Sun*, which paper holds up Twain as the great American orator, and Barnard as the upright and independent Judge, we find the following report of an extraordinary exhibition in the Supreme Court last Friday. [Report quoted.]

We should say that the Judge, whose judicial hide is as hard as a crocodile's skin, has been hit. The shot from the New-York Times has found a sensitive part.

That the Judge was re-elected to the Supreme Court, after a narrow escape from impeachment, was no credit to himself, but was a disgrace to the City of New-York.

If every lawyer in the Court-room approved of his remarks, which were only fit for the mouth of a blackguard, then the legal profession was very badly represented.

From the Albany Morning Express.

Judge Barnard, of New-York, evidently understands the frailties and infirmities of the electors of that City about as well as any man living. On Friday last he assailed from the bench one of the most prominent and respectable newspapers in New-York. The immediate occasion for this attack was the recent publication in that paper of certain strictures upon Judge Barnard's public and official acts. Having demolished the editor, this dignified jurist proceeded to indulge in a little self-laudation. Said he, "I was re-elected Judge of the Supreme Court by the largest majority ever received by a Judge in this City, and I expect to be re-elected whenever I run, so long as I conduct myself as I ever have done on the Bench." Very likely. But suppose his Honor should experience a change of heart—in some such unexpected way as did Saul of Tarsus—so that hereafter his proceedings should bear the stamp of fairness and integrity; what would be his Honor's chances of re-election in such an event?

From the Brooklyn Eagle.

Bartlett's parallel of Chief-Justice Marshall and Judge Barnard received a happy and homely illustration in the New-York Supreme Court yesterday. During the progress of a case before him Barnard, while "honest indignation flashed from his eyes," the *Sun* says, referred to "the old broken-down lawyers who are in want of references," and to the New-York Times. * * * Think of Justice Marshall using such language as this in Court! Barnard went on to say that he had been elected "by the largest majority ever received by a Judge in the City," adding: "I expect to be re-elected whenever I run, so long as I conduct myself as I ever have done on the Bench." This is rough on Barnard's constituents. Very rough.

MR. BARTLETT.

From the Philadelphia Day, Feb. 13.

We don't know Mr. W. O. Bartlett, but measuring him by the length of his card—one and a half columns—in a New-York paper, he must be a great man. Somebody has written an anonymous pamphlet, or published an anonymous pamphlet, no matter which, in which something occurs construed by Mr. Bartlett as personal to himself. Somebody without a name accuses him of receiving bribes, and using corrupt means to control Judges. Mr. Bartlett says the charges are, in letter and substance, in whole and in every part untrue. That is plump; and such a plumper over a real name goes further with sensible people than any amount of anonymous accusation. But this square denial does not satisfy its maker. He proceeds to write about himself for a column and a half. He lets the great public into the secrets of his religious belief. He was raised in the fearful fear of fire and brimstone as a reward for wrong-doing. But at last, after comparing notes, he came to adopt more moderate ideas, and leaves the reader to infer that he has, for some time past, looked upon physical fire as a chimera. Thus up to "a few days ago," when these charges of corrupt practices were pre

JAPAN.

Radical Changes in the System of Government—Results of the Transference of Power from the Feudal Daimios to the Mikado—Reorganization of the Army and Navy—Gratifying Results of Mr. Seward's Visit—The New Railroad.

From an Occasional Correspondent.

YOKOHAMA, Thursday, Dec. 21, 1870.

The wonderful, though bloodless, revolution through which this country is now passing deserves more notice than is usually accorded in home journals to the doings of a people so unimportant in American eyes as the Japanese. Following the radical changes in the system of government, inaugurated when the supreme secular power was concentrated in the person of the formerly spiritual chieftain—the Mikado—is a complete reorganization of the official service. So searching and thorough is the process that it is doubtful whether the experiment would have proved safe in any other country.

THE OLD DUAL SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT.

With the general characteristics of the old dual system of Imperial rule, your readers are probably familiar. Two powerful chieftains, in the main independent of each other, divided between them the cares of government; the temporal ruler or "Shiogoon," (miscalled by some curious foreign perversity the "Tycoon,") being, however, subject in a sense to the priestly or spiritual Emperor, (Mikado,) who received in the seclusion of his hereditary capital the veritable worship of his feudal chieftains, and the veneration accorded to divine attributes by the vulgar. The chieftains or "Daimios," all kings or emperors *in petto*, were controlled mainly by the mutual jealousies prevailing among their class, much as was the case with the Barons and Lords of early English history, or the Grandees of Spain in the days of ISABELLA, the Catholic—but with this difference among the Daimios: A curious and unique code of honor prevailed, which, in its Draconic obligations, exerted a moral force in aid of loyalty that nought but tradition and superstition combined could have produced. Consequent upon the intercourse with foreigners, and the facilities for obtaining arms, ammunition, ships and all the material of war, arose in great measure the dissensions which terminated in an open struggle between the two Emperors—so to term—each backed by their own adherents. The issue of the civil war thus resulting is well known. The Shiogoon resigned his claims, and the powers he had heretofore wielded were conferred upon the Mikado. One by one the insurgent Daimios were reduced to sue for peace or spontaneously ceased hostilities, and the "offspring of the Sun goddess," as the Mikado is poetically denominated, now exercise undisputed sway over territory and people.

SWEEPING REFORMS EFFECTED.

The change in the form of government necessitated reforms so sweeping that foreign observers scarcely dared hope they could be carried out. But the statesmen of Japan proved equal to the occasion, and to confirm and consolidate the central power. The Daimios voluntarily abdicated their semi-independence. The fleets, fortresses, troops, &c., which formed the strength of each chieftain, have, with reasonable exceptions, been placed in the hands of the Mikado's Government, though in most cases they were left under the control of the Daimios' nominees, who transferred to the Mikado in enough—for a Cabinet has replaced the irresponsible personal government of old—the services formerly rendered to their local chiefs. While considerable care has been exercised to avoid hurting the feelings of powerful subjects, the substitution of Imperial for Daimio nominees has been quietly carried out. The Government is naturally anxious to strengthen its hands as far as possible and avails itself of every fair chance within its reach. The Japanese Army and Navy are, like the civil service, also undergoing thorough reform. The ex-Daimios who owned vessels of war have given them up to the "Imperial" Navy, and with them a certain proportion of their revenues, to aid the Government in maintaining the necessary forces. Proclamations are posted up inviting students to join the naval school shortly to be opened. Regulations fixing the strength of officers for each ship and regiment, the precedence of the various ranks and the salary attached to each, have been drawn up by certain officials who may be designated Commissioners, and equal care has been taken in fixing the pay and pensions of petty officers and seamen.

THE RESULT OF MR. SEWARD'S VISIT.

The result of Mr. SEWARD'S visit and his interview with the Mikado has been to appreciably increase American prestige in this country. The inadequate staff and allowances of the United States Minister had tended to create an unfavorable impression, in view of the comparative pomp which surrounds his British coadjutor. To do the Japanese justice, however, they are less impressed by show and more ready to judge, by competent reports, of foreign countries than their near neighbors, the Chinese. Snow and power are deemed inseparable among the Japs, being more intelligent, recognize the fact that plain clothes may become a diplomatist as well as an uniform, and in their own practice they are singularly averse to personal display. At the same time it would be affectation to deny that *ceteris paribus* they think more of a monarchy than a republic. They probably respect autocratic Russia more than any other Power with which they have been brought into contact.

RAILROADS AND TELEGRAPHS.

The railroad between Kobè and Osaca is being rapidly proceeded with. A conference was recently held, at which certain arrangements were made by the native authorities with Mr. MOREL, the engineer-in-chief. The telegraphic cables now in process of being laid from India Chinaward are attracting considerable attention here, as they furnish hope for a belief that we, too, shall before long be placed in close communication with the civilized world. What has become of the projected Pacific cable?

OKESIMA.

The Democratic Nomination for the Presidency—A Note of Warning from a Prediction Man to Mr. Hendricks.

The Indianopolis *Journal* publishes the letter which we quote below, and says that it was written by one of the leaders of the Ohio Democracy, and agrees with the general impression that Mr. HENDRICKS was a party to several bargains and sales concerning the Presidential nomination by the Democratic Convention in 1868. It adds that Mr. HENDRICKS' friends report that Mr. TILDEN is working for HENDRICKS now, and it predicts that the result will be just what it was in 1868—Tammany will again carry off the honors. This is the letter:

OHIO, Wednesday, Feb. 8, 1871.

The friends of Hon. T. A. HENDRICKS have asserted, with a boldness challenging answer, that Hon. GEO. H. PENDLETON acquiesced in his assumed ascendency in the West, and that the "Pendleton Men" preferred Mr. HENDRICKS as our next President. I am able to state to you that the assertion is false in its length, its breadth and its thickness. BENEDICT ARNOLD attempted to betray the forces placed under his command; Mr. HENDRICKS did betray those who trusted to his leadership in 1868. ARNOLD is the precedent for military treachery, as is HENDRICKS for political chicanery. I speak access to the people through your paper, because my friend BRIGHT, of the *Sentinel*, has come to his second sight; he sees now through HENDRICKS' glasses, and hence the virtues of Mr. HENDRICKS (in 1868 bargain first with HANCOCK; secondly, with SAMUEL J. TILDEN, of New-York, the people's enemy and the bondholder's friend; and thirdly, with Hon. GEORGE H. PENDLETON, defender of labor against the victim of capital. He broke with HANCOCK and PENDLETON, but kept faith with the bondholders. If Indianians want proof of this, they can get it until they can't stand. As you know, I am a Democrat, and have no idea of ever voting the Republican ticket, and less idea of being led by an American Talleyrand.

BUCKEYE.

The New Senator from Kansas.

United States Senator-elect CALDWELL, of Kansas, has never been in public life, and has not been a party to any of the fierce personal struggles among the political leaders of his State. He was an old Whig. In 1856 he voted for JOHN C. FREMONT, but says that he had not at that time so much admiration for the man as for the party he represented, that being an organization pledged to resist the extension of slavery. At the recent banquet in Leavenworth, at which all the State officers and members of the Legislature were present, he made a speech, in which he spoke in glowing terms of the prospects of Kansas as worthy of its glorious history in the past. He described its great natural advantages, and predicted that within ten years it will have a system of roads equal to that of Illinois, and a population of at least a million and a half of souls. He said that, while he would give every encouragement to railroad enterprises calculated to develop the resources of the State, he would ever carefully guard and protect the just rights of the settler. Speaking of his position relative to national politics, he said that in 1860 he worked and voted for LINCOLN, and he added: I am proud of my Republicanism. To the Republican Party, in my opinion, are we indebted for the preservation of our nationality. And now that our glorious Union has been preserved, let us see to it that the life of this great nation is not imperilled, either from foes without or traitors within. And let all unite in sustaining such measures as will best protect and develop the laboring and manufacturing interests of the whole country.

THE TAYLOR WILL.

The Case Drawing to a Close—The Contestant's Final Argument—Speech of Mr. Clinton.

The announcement that the presentation of the final arguments in the matter of the contested will of JAMES B. TAYLOR, deceased, would begin yesterday before Hon. R. C. HUTCHINGS, Surrogate, drew to the Court not only all the parties interested in the case, but also a large crowd of spectators, and, in consequence, the room was densely crowded throughout the day. Mr. H. L. CLINTON, counsel for Mrs. HOWLAND, the contestant, began speaking soon after 11 o'clock, and continued until after 5. The Court then adjourned until this morning, when Mr. CLINTON will conclude. He will be followed by Hon. E. W. STOUGHTON in support of the will, and it is fixed that today will end the trial, the Surrogate's decision of course being reserved. The argument presented yesterday by Mr. CLINTON was an ingenious plea, in which the testimony adduced during the progress of the suit was carefully reviewed, the strong points brought out, and all said that could be said to sustain the theory of forgery advanced. The following is a summary of his speech:

On the 22d day of August, 1870, JAMES B. TAYLOR was summoned to another world. Among the few who gathered around the bed of death, among the few who participated in the sad funeral rites, was one sincere mourner; one whose young heart was wrung with anguish—smitten to the earth with an affliction it had never felt before, and which it never dared even to contemplate. That mourner was KATE B. HOWLAND, the contestant is this case. He who to her had been grandfather, father, protector, friend; a companion in whose affections she alone had nestled, in the innermost temple of whose heart she dwelt supreme, was dead. Those eyes that had ever filled her with joy and happiness were closed forever. That voice, which though sometimes harsh to the outer world, was music to her ears was hushed in silence never to be broken. That heart, that great heart which from her earliest prattling infancy never pulsated but in unison with hers, had ceased to beat. From the first moment she was able to lisp the name of human being down to that day when the whole world was clouded in darkness; the affection, devotion and love between these two had not been surpassed since the world began. Aye, could she then or could she now burst the cerements of the grave containing the ashes of the dead, and breathe a new spirit of mortal life within JAMES B. TAYLOR, knowing, as she does, that she is his only heir, she would gladly forfeit all to bring him back to existence. If there was ever an instance of loving affection and unselfish devotion to a surviving parent, it was exhibited on the occasion when the grave closed over her grandfather, and buried from her sight the small differences which at times existed between her and her grandmother. Although in the conduct of that grandmother there might have been at times apparent an icy indifference, yet not only this contestant believe there was a warm current of affection existing between them, but she believed with England's greatest bard:

> "The strongest ice that ever frose
> Can only o'er the surface close;
> The living stream lies quick below,
> And flows, and cannot cease to flow."

The relations of these parties, grandmother and grand-daughter, would have continued, but unfortunately Mrs. TAYLOR was surrounded by natures whose purpose it was to destroy and frustrate them. GEORGE DURYEA, acting in the double capacity as representative of his own inherent turpitude and the supliant tool of deeper plotters in villainy, seemed to have inspired her with confidence, and, like the viper, he wound himself round her, leaving there the venom. She will acknowledge it were better she had heeded the counsels of those more sinister, and whose motives were less unworthy. The first shock sustained by the contestant in her father's death is scarcely over when a process from your Honor's Court summoned her hither. Had the question here presented been one whether this document produced was the result of luck, fraud or device, she would have a right, had she been so disposed, to waive any opposition to it; but when the evidence, when the investigation set on foot, with the determination to ascertain the genuineness or spuriousness of this document, brought to light the fact that it was an infamous and damnable forgery, then she could pursue no other course than that adopted in this case. The great question now to be decided is, whether forgery shall be legalized, or perjury by which it is sustained shall be sanctified here, in the very temple of law, aye, whether crime, a crime which goes to the very foundation of society, which would blot out civilization itself, shall be crowned with the laurel wreath of triumph.

Refering to the evidence adduced in the case, the counsel first called attention to the transactions proved to have occurred between the death of Mr. TAYLOR, on the 22d of August, and the discovery of the will, and which, he contended, said, that these events had an important bearing on the question of forgery. He would not stop to allude to the signs which transpired immediately after the death of Mr. TAYLOR, but would advert to the proceedings taken for the purpose of discovering whether the deceased left or did not leave a will. The morning after Mr. TAYLOR'S death a search was instituted at his late office, No. — Pine-street. During this business, among the friends around his bedside were his executors, made such only four years prior—unless the existence of the will of 1867 was completely destroyed. They made as thorough a search, and the first thought of Mr. TRACEY was to bring in the Police to guard Mr. TAYLOR'S safe, as they feared it would be robbed. Why this suspicion? He was precluded from giving the grounds for anxiety concerning Mr. TAYLOR'S papers, but at all events said, in valuable documents were removed to the Safe Deposit Company. So will was found, but during this search where was GEO. H. DURYEA, the trusted clerk of Mr. TAYLOR? He was absent for a week at this period when matters of the highest importance concerning his employer were in course of operation, and where was he? He did not dare to assist; he was away on business, for if he should be discovered, and rather than incur the penalties of perjury he admitted he had no excuse for his absence. To every sensible man the inference was irresistible. A second search was instigated some days subsequently for a similar purpose, but no will was found. In the meantime Mr. MARSH used every endeavor to ascertain if a will existed; he inquired at the Post Office, the Shoe and Leather Bank, but without success. No one dared to produce a will until some days after Mr. JONES' return from Europe, for it was supposed, from his intimacy with the deceased, he might know something in reference to the matter, and this was the reason for the extraordinary delay.

Directing attention to the existence of a will, and only one will, Mr. CLINTON referred to the evidence of several witnesses, where, in conversations they had with the deceased, the latter said he would make Messrs. MARSH and VAN VECHTEN his executors. On this point, he said, the evidence was indisputable, and he asked what possible motive Mr. TAYLOR could have for deceiving and falsifying in regard to the disposition of his property to his friends and legal advisers. No such motive was ever expressed, and the forgers who concocted this scheme provided just as much for corroboration as in the signature of the will itself. From 1867 to the time of the death a continuous line of testimony had been adduced expressing the purposes of Mr. TAYLOR in favor of his grandchild, and no intention whatever to revoke the will of 1867. Commenting on the evidences of Gen. SPINOLA, SEARDLOW, PIPER, Dr. QUACKENBOSS, and others, examined for the proponents, the counsel said that they exhibited an extraordinary interest in behalf of the contestant, yet the evidence of most of the witnesses, if not directly untrue, contained discrepancies, established by supportable evidence, that entitled them to be discredited. There was but one event in the history of the contestant's life which it was asserted displeased Mr. TAYLOR, and nothing else was attempted to be placed upon the record. There was no proof except that given by MUDGETT and COOPER that Mr. TAYLOR blamed his grandchild for her marriage. There was much evidence on the subject of his blaming the husband and his family, but there was no doubt, with the exception of the conversation testified to by COOPER, MUDGETT, and GRINNELL, that after the few days subsequent to her marriage, Mr. TAYLOR did not entertain the slightest feeling of hostility toward his child. He went further than these witnesses, and assumed that the deceased was incensed at the marriage, but the first interview between them produced a reconciliation and a return of affection never afterward broken, nor was the slightest allusion ever made to the circumstance. Every fact adduced in the case, brusque and outspoken as the deceased was, proved conclusively that with him a partial reconciliation was impossible and preposterous. Their meeting proved it was complete, and their subsequent relations established it beyond a question of doubt. On the other side no witnesses were produced to controvert this assertion, and where was the motive to induce JAMES B. TAYLOR to change his will and leave his favorite child partially unprovided for? KATY'S selection of a husband was good, her father afterward approved the choice, and greater affection and devotion never existed between any couple. With the reconciliation came friendly and social relations between both families, culminating finally in the trip to Europe.

Mr. CLINTON then adverted at considerable length to the disagreements that occurred in Europe, and read a number of letters directed by Mr. TAYLOR to his grandchild, which were couched in the most tender and affectionate terms, expressing his anxiety for her comfort, and without alluding to her misunderstanding with her grandmother. In the face of these letters he held it was stupid to assert that Mr. TAYLOR would practice such hypocrisy, so utterly opposed to his known character, especially in his dealing with his only child. The counsel next referred to the evidence for the proponents, and while charging that the will was a forgery, disclaimed the idea that Mrs. TAYLOR knew anything whatever concerning it. Reviewing in full the evidence of the different witnesses, a synopsis of which has been heretofore published in the TIMES, he maintained that their testimony did not affect the credibility of the contestants' evidence, but, on the contrary, in their evident disposition to aid the forgery, only establishes that Mr. TAYLOR made frequent declarations of the execution of a will, and this will, it was clear, was not the forged document sought to be probated. He refuted the theory supported by the evidence of Dr. QUACKENBOSS that, in his last illness, the deceased expressed anxiety to go to his office for a particular paper, and that that paper was the will, asserting that no proof had been adduced that he did not refer to the mortgage on the Georgia Railroad, which had not, up to that time, been executed. But everything, he added, proved that this document is a forgery. One man had the capacity, the opportunity, and the control of everything toward its formation. He was that man that absented himself from the time of Mr. TAYLOR'S death until one week afterward, and who refused to attend the search for the will. Did the Court suppose that GEORGE DURYEA, being in possession of the office would not have felt interest enough in Mr. TAYLOR'S business to search where there was no lock or key to prevent him from searching? He could just as well have found the will there the day he went to the office as to have found it some weeks subsequently. DURYEA has shown the bent of his mind on this subject. There is something on the mind of one who perpetrates a crime that foreboded his concealing it. It was uppermost in his mind, and came out only at inopportune moments. What was the train of thought on the part of DURYEA with reference to this matter? From the moment he took possession of his office down to the time this forged will was produced, he was preparing TAYLOR'S friends, his sincere friends, for the production of this paper. He informed Mr. HENRY W. JOHNSON, after this search proved fruitless, that a will could be found if anyone had any sufficient interest in it to institute a search. When JOHNSON responded, "Then there is a will?" he replied, "I know there was one once." What did this mean? It was the expression of concealed thoughts, and taken in connection with his absence, points distinctly to the forger. To Mr. MUDGETT, he also said, "a will had been made a short time before," and his evidence alone declared the question of forgery.

Criticising the will, Mr. CLINTON maintained it to be no evidence of being drawn up by a lawyer; on the contrary, it was full of errors, which no lawyer could by any possibility have made. Even the word Vassar was spelled Vasser, and Mr. HOWLAND'S name was written HENRY B. instead of HENRY H. HOWLAND. Referring to the evidence of WETHERELL, JACKSON and DURYEA in detail, asserting that the two first were overwhelmingly impeached, first by the will, secondly by the improbability of their statements, thirdly by intended deliberate falsehoods and contradictions, not the result of mistake. The counsel claimed that WETHERELL was impeached by giving false reasons for secrecy; JACKSON was impeached by giving reasons which could apply only to forgery, such as the reason he did not want to go into personal litigation. DURYEA was impeached by JACKSON and JACKSON was both impeached by Mr. FIELD and also by Gen. SPINOLA. Mr. CLINTON further, during his argument, dwelt at length upon the scientific testimony adduced, alluding particularly to the experts' evidence, and its importance.

Case adjourned until today, 11 A. M.

AID FOR FRANCE

The Subscriptions Thus Far $70,000—Names of Subscribers.

The contributions for the suffering French still pour in. Mr. CHARLES LANIER, the Treasurer of the fund, acknowledges the receipt of the following additional subscriptions up to today:

A. A. Low & Bros.	$1,000	J. Laroque	$200
S. B. Chittenden & Co.	500	Josiah Lane	100
Arnold, Sturges & Co.	500	Moran Bros.	100
Edward Mathews	500	Devlin & Co.	100
Edward Clark	500	Olyphant & Co.	100
American Coal Co.	250	Stanton, Sheldon & Co.	100
W. A. Wheelock	250	G. W. Lane & Co.	100
Burdett & Pond	250	Beebe & Co.	100
W. W. De Forrest & Co.	250	E. Wade, Jr.	100
Comstock & Co.	250	Carter, Hartley & Co.	100
Henry Young	250	Ives, Beecher & Co.	100
H. Chauvitance	200	Roswell, Skeel & Co.	100
J. T. Brady & Co., Pittsburg, $100 gold	113	Fentold, Chatfield & Co.	100
Smith & Noyes	100	Through First Nat. Bank, Cincinnati	51
Geo. C. Collins & Co.	100	J. W. Cross	50
C. V. A. Schuyler & Co.	100	G. W. Redmond	50
J. D. McKesson & Co.	100	D. Wolfe Bishop	50
W. B. Palmer, Rochester, N. Y.	100	Kech & Mosser	50
Livingston, Fox & Co.	100	A. K. Ely	50
F. W. Stevens	100	Ellis Reed & Son	50
Geo. Pearce & Co.	100	S. Mendelson	50
Geo. Mackenzie & Co.	100	Eglieston Bros. & Co.	100
Austin, Baldwin & Co.	100	B. Wallerstein	50
Renauld & Francois	100	A. Wimpfheimer	50
H. Henequin & Co.	100	G. D. H. Gillespie	50
H. W. Hall & Co.	100	G. Grenthal	30
C. Dord & Co.	100	J. L. Ross	25
Lewis Brothers	100	Through C. A. Cole, Brandon, Vt.	25
Wm. Alexr. Smith	100	Ballard, Bailey & Co.	25
Fraser, Major & Co.	100	Barnes & Merritt	25
Schultz, Southwick & Co.	100	E. H. K. Belcher	25
J. S. Rockwell & Co.	100	Fawcett & Benedict	25
M. Armstrong & Sons	100	Miss L. L. Schuyler	10
Lidgard & Co.	100	Miss G. S. Schuyler	10
John Watson	100	Thomas H. Bowne	10
Jonathan Thorne	100	Thomas H. Walter	10
J. S. Hoyt & Co.	100	E. Cummings	2
Hoyt Bros.	100	Richmond	1
Charles Hasenclever	100	A. Jontard	8
H. H. Leitttinger & Co	100	W. Price, Havernill, Mass.	1
Adolph Schefte	100	Otis D. Swan & Co.	100
C. N. Allen	10	Wyman, Bird & Co.	100
D. Appleton & Co.	250	Carhart, Whitford & Co.	50
D. F. Haight	250	Brice Gray	50
Frothingham & Bayliss	100	Weil & Co.	50
Cochran, McLean & Co.	100	Stilt & Underhill	50

Total	$11,355
Previously acknowledged	34,458
Total by Chamber of Commerce Committee	$45,813

CHARLES LANIER,
Treasurer of Committee of Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. WILLIAM W. WICKES, Chairman of the New-York Produce Exchange Committee, acknowledges receipt of the following additional subscriptions to Feb. 11:

W. R. Preston	$100	Gould N. Thorp	$50
J. Bonnell	100	Cook & Sledge	10
Phillips & Co.	100	V. H. Brown & Co.	100
Totten, Custer & Havens	10	Dritton & Townsend	100
Matthews & Hickox	25	Robert Norman	50
P. N. Ballentine	100	Hughes & Hickox	100
D. Stephenson	50	E. Annan	100
H. A. Brayton	25	George D. Puffer	100
P. Van Rossan	10	F. N. Shedler	25
Whitman Bros. & Howe	50	P. Dollard	10
C. H. Meday	50	Welch, Turner & Co.	50
Welch, Home & Clark	25	F. E. Smith & Co.	100
Joseph Allen & Co.	25	Kent & Co.	100
Andrew Harman (additional)	50	Logan & Preston	50
Andrew Stuart & Co.	50	David K. Tucker	25
		J. W. Pottle	25
		Beardsley, Sumner & Co.	100

Total	$1,875
Previously acknowledged	13,170
Total by Produce Exchange Committee	$15,045
Grand total, Chamber of Commerce and Produce Exchange	$60,858 50

Since the above was prepared, REMINGTON & SONS have contributed $6,000 to the fund, and the Stock Exchange of San Francisco $1,000 gold, which, with smaller subscriptions, makes the aggregate contributions thus far about $70,000.

It has been stated that the members of the Gold Exchange have declined to contribute to the fund in aid of the French sufferers. The truth is, that the Association thought it best that the contributions should be made by individual members, and not by the Exchange as a body, and in pursuance of this plan they have already given over $2,000 in sums of from $10 to $500, and the list is being rapidly filled up. The members of the Gold Exchange will doubtless give as much as any other class of men for this object.

Severe Suffering Among the Poor of the Fourteenth Ward.

For several Winters past the teachers of the Fourteenth Ward Industrial School have been made the almoners of charitably disposed persons in relieving distress among the worthy poor in their district. All of the funds placed at their disposal for such purposes the present Winter have been expended, and now the Misses STEVENS, who by visitation among the families of their pupils have become thoroughly acquainted with their needs, are daily compelled to refuse aid to applicants who are on the verge of starvation. One worthy woman, a Mrs. N., has pawned every article of furniture to procure food, and the family at the present time are without supplies of any kind. "Hungry and cold" is their sorrowful appeal. Another poor woman, whose five children attend the school, is entirely out of work, her husband prostrated by sickness, and all of them looking valorly about them for relief. Some four or five other families, in equally distressing circumstances, are at just that point, owing to sickness and want of work, where, if aid is not soon rendered them, all further appeal in their behalf will be useless. Any who may desire to bestow their benefactions personally upon these deserving families can do so by accompanying the teachers to them in their homes, or by sending contributions to the school, No. 93 Crosby-street, or to the office of the Children's Aid Society, No. 19 East Fourth-street, designating the purpose to which they are to be applied.

The Women's Prison Association.

The twenty-sixth annual report of the Women's Prison Association of New-York, "The Isaac T. Hopper Home," shows that there remained on Jan. 1, last year, 55 inmates, and were received during the year 404, making a total of 459. Of these there were sent to service 253; returned to friends, 18; left to provide for themselves, 20; sent to Almshouse, 33; to Insane Asylum, 2; to days' work, and did not return, 32; left without permission, 29; discharged, 7; remaining Dec. 31, 53. The prison report for last year shows that 18,636 women were received. 7,703 discharged, 1,711 sent to Blackwell's Island by the Courts, 9,187 transferred to the Island by the Commissioners of Charities, 39 sent to State Prison. The funds of the Society are not in a very prosperous condition, only $11 39 being in the Treasury. The receipts last year were about $8,500.

NAVAL NEWS.

The Relief Vessel for France—Description of the New Frigate—Necessity of Additional Ships to Carry Food to France—The Frigate California Ready for Sea.

The United States steamer *Worcester*, twenty-three guns, which has been placed at the disposal of charitable associations in Boston formed to send aid to the suffering people of France, is well calculated for the service, although she cannot carry a very large cargo. She is a new vessel and has never yet been to sea. She is rigged and fitted out like the frigates *Guerriere* and *California*, but on her proposed voyage will carry but a portion of her battery and a small crew, so that the gun-deck and a part of the berth-deck can be used in stowing cargo. As she will cross under steam and sail, it is likely that she can make the voyage in twelve to fifteen days. From the amount of money collected in Boston, which will be expended in breadstuffs and seeds, it is likely that the *Worcester* will be entirely loaded in that port, unless her capacity is greater than 12,000 barrels, as is represented. In that case the Department cannot well do better than to send the *Supply*, which can carry 8,000 barrels, from this port. From Philadelphia 10,000 or 12,000 barrels of flour and seed are to be sent, and if Uncle Sam is not charitably inclined they must go by merchant steamers. If the *Worcester* is to take in any portion of her cargo here, she will leave Boston about the 22d inst.

The frigate *California*, Capt. CLITZ, is about ready for sea, and it is expected that her orders to proceed on her voyage will soon arrive from the Navy Department. Notwithstanding the inclemency and rapid changes of the weather ever since the *California* has been in commission, the health of the officers and crew has been excellent. The sick reports have been unusually small—no greater than under ordinary circumstances. This is due to the system of heating the between decks, adopted by the Government, and the excellent water, distilled by the newly adopted Normandy condensers.

The Oliver "Forgery" Case—Full Text of Justice Snedeker's Decision.

The following is the full text of Justice SNEDEKER'S decision in the case of WM. F. OLIVER, of Hempstead, L. L., who was accused of forging his father's name. The partial statements heretofore published have done great injustice to the defendant, as will appear by a perusal of the Justice's paper:

The People vs. *William F. Oliver.*—The defendant in this case is charged, on oath, with having, on the 1st day of February, 1870, forged the name and signature of his deceased father, WM. OLIVER, to a lease of lands in the town of Hempstead, known as the Eagle Mills, and certain other property therein described as store property in the village of Hempstead. The testimony produced before me by the prosecution, were it uncontradicted, fully establishes the fact that the signature purporting to be that of WILLIAM OLIVER, to the lease in question, is, as charged in the complaint, false, forged and counterfeited, and it would follow as a legitimate and natural conclusion that the defendant, being the only party in interest, is the person who committed the offense. The defendant has, however, produced evidence, remarkably strong in its bearing and character, tending to establish the genuineness of the instrument and signature in questions, and also his innocence of the offense charged. While under the testimony I am strongly impressed with the innocence of the defendant, a strict construction of the law applicable to examinations for criminal offenses imposes upon me the duty of sending this case before the Grand Inquest of the county for further examination. I do, therefore, in view of the importance of the question involved and the discharge of my duty under the law, order and direct that the defendant be committed to await the action of the Grand Inquest in the premises. I cannot allow myself to take leave of this case, which has occupied my attention for so long a period of time, without returning to all the counsel engaged therein my sincere thanks for their uniform courtesy, kindness and forbearance during its investigation. JOHN S. SNEDEKER,
Justice of the Peace.

Dated JAMAICA, Jan. 26, 1871.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

The attendance yesterday (Feb. 14) at the Exchange, in spite of the storm was quite large, and all the sales announced to take place were effected. The transactions made resulted as follows:

MULLER, WILKINS & Co., by order of the Supreme Court, in partition, under the direction of GRATZ NATHAN, Esq., referee, disposed of the property located on the north-east corner of Hudson and Reade streets. The premises comprising an irregular lot, the dimensions of which are given in the summary annexed, were purchased by E. H. RIKER for $18,700.

JAMES M. MILLER, by order of the Supreme Court in foreclosure, made two sales. First, under the direction of ROBERT SUTHERLAND, Esq., referee, a four-story brick store, freestone trimmings, and lot 20 by 70, situated on the northwest corner of Fourth-avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-eighth-street, sold to M. S. THOMPSON for $18,200, a price deemed very low, second, under the direction of FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Esq., referee, the premises known as No. 11 James-slip, comprising a three-story brick store and lot, 18 by about 37, sold to A. B. HANCE, the owner of the mortgage foreclosed, for $6,500—also considered a low figure.

JOHNSON & MILLER effected the last sale of the day, disposing of the following Brooklyn property, sold by order of the heirs of SAMUEL W. SLOCUM, deceased, to close the estate. No. 12 three-story brick dwelling and lot, 22 by 123.9, No. 163 Adelphi-street, east side, between Willoughby and Myrtle avenues, sold for $7,725 to SAMUEL F. BROWN. A similar house and lot adjoining No. 161 Adelphi-street, also advertised to be sold, was withdrawn, the result of the first sale not meeting the expectations of those interested in the property. No other business was transacted.

For today at the Exchange, sales are to be announced to be made: By MULLER, WILKINS & Co., at a foreclosure sale, four lots on the southwest corner of Eighth-avenue and Seventy-fourth-street.

By E. H. LUDLOW & Co. at public auction, property on the north-west corner of Washington and Rector streets, and at an executor's sale, a three-story high-stoop brick house and lot, known as No. 319 East Twenty-first-street.

By JAMES M. MILLER, a foreclosure sale. Lot on the north side of Seventy-ninth-street, between Third and Fourth avenues.

To-morrow at the Exchange, quite a list of property will be offered, some of which is very eligibly located and desirable. Reference to the sales proposed will be made in our notice of the day's business in this column to-morrow.

The following is a recapitulation of yesterday's transactions:

Exchange Sales, Tuesday, Feb. 14.

NEW-YORK.

By Muller, Wilkins & Co.

Lot, with buildings thereon, n. e. corner of Hudson and Reade sts., lot 19x36.10x10.8x20.6x25 x58 ..... $18,700

By James M. Miller.

4-story brick store and lot, n. w. corner of 4th-av. and 128th-st., lot 20x70 ..... $13,200
3-story brick store and lot, w. s., No. 11 James-slip, near Water-st., lot 18.3x38.1x18x37.2 6,500

BROOKLYN.

By Johnson & Miller.

3-story and attic brick dwelling and lot, e. s., No. 163, Adelphi-st., 117 ft. s. of Myrtle-av., house 22x36, lot 22x122.8 ..... $7,725

CITY REAL ESTATE.

TO EXCHANGE—THREE-STORY BRICK house, near Madison Park, unexceptionable neighborhood; value, $25,000, for a house in New-Jersey, 20 miles of City; value, $10,000; balance in cash and mortgage. Address, stating particulars, W. L. BEADLEY, No. 35 William-st.

FOR SALE—A FOUR-STORY HIGH-STOOP modern-frescoed brown-stone house, 20.10x56, lot 100 feet; 49th-st., between 5th-av. and Broadway; $31,500; terms easy. Also, a printed list of stores and dwellings. For sale by V. K. STEVENSON & SON, No. 11 Pine-st.

FOR SALE—THE ELEGANT THREE-story brown-stone high-stoop house, No. 218 East 124th-st. It is 21 feet wide, lot over 100 feet, is beautifully frescoed, and is in the best neighborhood in Harlem. Inquire on the premises, or of P. O'SHEA, No. 27 Barcaly-st.

WEST 40TH-ST.—THREE-STORY HIGH-stoop basement and sub-cellar Philadelphia brick and brown-stone, fourteen rooms, all modern improvements, in perfect order; price $14,000; terms easy. R. L. SEARCH, No. 162 Broadway, Room 8.

BROADWAY, EAST SIDE, ABOVE 34TH-ST.—A large fine corner property, well rented; price reasonable. Also several desirable corners on 6th-av., 23d to 50th sts. W. P. SEYMOUR, No. 171 Broadway.

FOR SALE—FOUR-STORY BROWN-STONE front house on Murray Hill, between Madison and Park avs.; South Brooklyn property taken in part payment. Address Box No. 4548 Post-office, New-York, or to WINANS & CO., No. 91 Cedar-st.

EAST 33D-ST., NEAR 4TH-AV., SEVeral brown-stone dwellings, all in good order, from $14,000 to $15,000. WINANS, SANDS & GARRETTSON, Auctioneers, No. 91 Cedar-st.

WEST 36TH-ST.—TO LET OR LEASE, the four-story English-basement brown-stone-front house, No. 61 West 36th-st., to a private family only. Apply to WM. & E. A. CRUIKSHANK, Broadway, 7th-av. and 44th-st., or No. 55 Broadway.

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Cuba, Wednesday, Mar. 1 | Batavia, Thursday, Mar. 16

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First Cabin, $130, gold. Second Cabin, $60, gold.
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WISCONSIN, Capt. WILLIAMS...Mar. 1, at 8 A. M.
NEBRASKA, Capt. GUARD.....March 4, at 3 P. M.
WYOMING, Capt. WHINERAY...March 8, at 3 P. M.
MANHATTAN, Capt. FORSYTH..March 15, at 1 P. M.
IDAHO, Capt. PAICE.....March 22, at 3 P. M.
Cabin passage, $80, gold.
Steerage passage, (Office No. 29 Broadway,) $30, currency.
For freight or cabin passage apply to
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NATIONAL LINE.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN, From Pier No. 47 North River
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One hundred pounds of baggage free to each adult. Medicine and attendance free.
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Departure of 20th every month will touch at San Jose Guatemalan and Punta Arenas.
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All freight for San Francisco will go fast, and be received until 4 P. M. Saturday, Feb. 18.
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ATLANTIC MAIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY, sailing regularly every THURSDAY, at 3 o'clock P. M. precisely, from Pier No. 4 North River.
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MORRO CASTLE, Capt. R. ADAMS.....March 2
For freight or passage, apply to
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CITY OF MEXICO, Timmerman.....Feb. 17
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SAN SALVADOR, Capt. NICKERSON, SATURDAY, Feb. 18, from Pier No. 3 North River, at 2 P. M.
WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
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MONTGOMERY, Capt. FAIRCLOTH, SATURDAY, Feb. 18, from Pier No. 13 North River, at 3 P. M.
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NOTICE TO TRAVELERS.

Families or gentlemen going to travel on the Continent of Europe, who can afford the expense of a courier, should never leave Paris without one; their services are invaluable in relieving the traveler from multiplicity of cares and troubles respecting passports, examination and conveyance of luggage; in securing the best accommodation, in protecting the traveler from imposition, and an infinity of annoyances to which they are exposed in various parts of the Continent. Competent and trustworthy couriers and traveling servants may always be obtained by applying to the COURIER SOCIETY, No. 3 Rue d'Alger, near the Tuileries Garden, Paris.

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will leave Pier No. 36 North River, on SATURDAY, Feb. 18, at 3 P. M. Freight taken for Mobile, Galveston, Lavacca, Indianola, and all points on the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers, to be reshipped at New-Orleans.
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OFFICE OF THE ATLANTIC AND GREAT WESTERN PETROLEUM COMPANY,
No. 122 BOWERY, CORNER GRAND-ST.,
NEW-YORK, Feb. 9, 1871.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR SEVEN Trustees and three Inspectors for the next ensuing election will be held
ON MONDAY, FEB. 20,
between the hours of 3 and 4 o'clock P. M.
The transfer-books will be closed from the 10th to 20th, both days inclusive.
W. A. HALL, Secretary.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 9, 1871.

CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS, CINCINNATI AND INDIANAPOLIS RAILWAY COMPANY.
CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 8, 1871.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of this Company for the election of Directors, and for the transaction of other business, will be held at the office of the Company, in Cleveland, Ohio, on WEDNESDAY, March 1, 1871, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M.
The transfer-books will be closed from the evening of Feb. 18 until March 2.
GEO. H. RUSSELL, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE MERCANTILE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 166 BROADWAY.
NEW-YORK, Feb. 10, 1871.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR THIRTY Directors of this Company, also for three Inspectors of next election, will be held at this office on TUESDAY, the 21st inst. Poll open from 12 M. to 1 P. M. C. W. PARMELEE, Secretary.

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OFFICE, NOS. 346 AND 348 BROADWAY,
New-York Life Insurance Building.
TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SHARES of the capital stock of this Company, of the par value of $100 each, being a remainder of the capital of one million, are now offered to BUTCHERS, DEALERS, MARKETMEN and others.
The books of subscription for said stock will be opened at the office of the Company, as above, on Wednesday, the 15th day of February, 1871, from 9 A. M. to 5 P. M., and remain open each day for TEN days unless sooner subscribed for.
Each subscription for ten (10) shares from any Butcher, Marketman or Dealer, will entitle the subscriber to one stand or stall, at a uniform fixed rental, on a lease of five years.
But no one Butcher, Marketman or Dealer will be allowed more than two stalls or stands, in either wholesale or retail department, and the intention to avail himself of this privilege must be declared by each subscriber at the time of subscribing.
A diagram of the stands in the market can be seen at the office of the Company, and the selection of stands by said subscribers will be according to order of subscription.
TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION.—Twenty-five per cent. in cash, on subscribing, and the balance in instalments of 25 per cent., as called for by the Treasurer, on thirty days' notice.
By order of the Board.
PAUL J. ARMOUR,
COURTLANDT PALMER, } Committee on
W. M. JOHNSON, } Subscriptions.
NEW-YORK, Feb. 11, 1871.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
WASHINGTON, Feb. 4, 1871.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that books will be opened on the 6th day of March next, in this country and in Europe, for subscriptions to the national loan, under the act approved July 14, 1870, entitled "An act to authorize the Refunding of the National Debt," and the act in amendment thereof, approved Jan. 20, 1871.
The places at which subscriptions may be made, and the names of the authorized agents of the Government, will be announced hereafter. The proposed loan comprises three classes of bonds, namely:
First—Bonds to the amount of five hundred millions of dollars, payable in coin, at the pleasure of the United States, after fifteen years from the date of their issue, and bearing interest, payable quarterly in coin, at the rate of five per cent. per annum.
Second—Bonds to the amount of three hundred millions of dollars, payable in coin, at the pleasure of the United States, after fifteen years from the date of their issues, and bearing interest, payable quarterly in coin, at the rate of four and a half per cent. per annum.
Third—Bonds to the amount of seven hundred millions of dollars, payable in coin, at the pleasure of the United States, after thirty years from the date of their issue, and bearing interest, payable quarterly in coin, at the rate of four per cent. per annum.
Subscribers to the loan will have preference in the following order, namely:
First—Subscribers for equal amounts of each class of bonds.
Second—Subscribers for equal amounts of bonds bearing interest at the rate of four and a half per cent. and of bonds bearing interest at the rate of five per cent.
Third—Subscribers for five per cent. bonds.
When a subscription is made the subscriber will be required to deposit two per cent. of the amount thereof, to be accounted for by the Government when the bonds are delivered, and payment may be made either in coin or in bonds of the United States known as Five-twenty bonds, at their par value. The coin received in payment will be applied to the redemption of five-twenty bonds.
The bonds will be registered or issued with coupons, as may be desired by subscribers. Registered bonds will be issued of the denominations of $50, $100, $500, $1,000, $5,000, and $10,000; and coupon bonds of each denomination except the last two. The interest will be payable in the United States, at the office of the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, or Designated Depositary of the Government.
The bonds of the several classes aforesaid, and the interest thereon, are exempt from the payment of all taxes or dues of the United States, as well as from any taxation in form by or under State, municipal, or local authority.
After maturity, the bonds last issued will be first redeemed by classes and numbers, as may be designated by the Secretary of the Treasury.
GEO. S. BOUTWELL,
Secretary of the Treasury.

OFFICE OF PRESTON COAL AND IMPROVEMENT COMPANY, No. 326 Walnut-st.,
PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 14, 1871.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this Company will be held at their office on WEDNESDAY, March 1, at 12 o'clock M., when an election will be held for directors, to serve during the ensuing year.
JNO. H. WIESTLING, Secretary.

BILLIARD TABLES.

GREAT REVOLUTION IN BILLIARD TABLES AND CUSHIONS.—You can make nine on W. H. GRIFFITH'S. They beat the world and for sale only at No. 40 Vesey-st. Be not humbugged by the cat-gut cushions; they change with the weather and cut the cloth. Phelan's make for sale at ten cents.

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SITUATIONS WANTED.

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WANTED—BY A VERY RESPECTABLE young woman, a situation as waitress, or chamber-maid and waitress; is an excellent waitress; understands taking care of silver and getting up of laces of all kinds; good City reference. Call at No. 225 4th-av., near 25th-st.

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WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE PROTESTant woman, a situation as cook, or cook and to assist in washing; very good cook and good baker; country or City; good references. Apply at No. 225 4th-av., near 25th-st.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG girl, a situation in a private family as first-class waitress; no objection to assist in chamber-work if required; five years' best reference from her last place. Call for two days at No. 405 5th-av.

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WANTED—BY A YOUNG GIRL, A SITUAtion as chamber-maid and to do fine washing; and is willing to take a laundress' place; has the best of City reference. Call at No. 338 East 26th-st., second floor, back room.

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WANTED.—A SEAMSTRESS AND DRESSmaker would go out by the day or week or month; can cut and fit and operate; best City reference. Call at No. 14 East 39th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG girl as chamber-maid or waitress; is willing to make herself generally useful. Call or address KATE RUDDERN, No. 22 Suffolk-st.

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WANTED—A SITUATION AS LAUNDRESS by a woman who understands fluting, and has good City reference. Can be seen for two days at No. 339 East 9th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS COOK; BEST City references; willing to assist in the washing and ironing. Call at No. 121 West 19th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A COMPEtent German girl for general house-work, or as cook, washer and ironer; is willing and obliging; best of City references. Call at No. 302 Bowery, entrance on 1st-st.

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MALES.

WANTED—A COACHMAN'S SITUATION by a Protestant single man; is competent to take charge of any gentleman's establishment; unexceptionable City reference. Call or address J. F., No. 9 East 39th-st., private stable.

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WANTED—A SITUATION AS FARMER and gardener by an Englishman; married, without incumbrance; understands his trade in every respect; good references given. Address J. V. S., West Farms, Westchester County.

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WANTED—A SITUATION BY A PROTESTant German as waiter in a private family; perfectly understands his business; best City references. Apply to Mr. KELLY, 75 University-place, for two days.

WANTED—BY A SINGLE YOUNG MAN, A situation as coachman and groom; good careful driver, sober, honest and industrious; best City reference. Call at Nos. 48, 50 and 52 East 26th-st., stables.

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WANTED—BY A GOOD FLOWER AND vegetable gardener, a situation. Address GARDENER, No. 114 Hester-st.

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PROGRAMME OF OLD AND NEW PLAYS:
THIS (WEDNESDAY) EVENING, FEB. 15,
Colemen's and Garrick's Comedy,
THE CLANDESTINE MARRIAGE.
THURSDAY—HOME and BLUE DEVILS.
FRIDAY—MONEY.
SATURDAY MATINEE—MONEY.
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In preparation, Robertson's last Comedy,
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MONEY.
Doors open at 1 P. M.; to begin at 1½ P. M.

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In consequence of the severe storm of yesterday, and the difficulty of travel both on river and streets, Mr. LESTER WALLACK
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WEDNESDAY NEXT, FEB. 22.
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MONDAY EVENING, Feb. 20, 1871.
For the benefit of The Samaritan Home.
Tickets, $2. Boxes, (holding four,) $10. Can be had at G. Schirmer's, No. 701 Broadway.

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In aid of the Fund for the Relief of the
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WEDNESDAY EVENING, Feb. 15, 1871.
The following artists have in the kindest manner volunteered their valuable services:
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Mr. F. REMMERTZ, Basso.
Miss MARIE KREBS, Pianiste.
Miss FRANCESCA TEDESCA, Violiniste.
Mr. S. B. MILLS, Pianist.
Mr. F. BERGNER, Violoncellist.
Mr. S. P. WARREN, Organist.
Mr. HENRY TIMM, Pianist Accompanist.
Mr. D. DACHAUER, Pianist Accompanist.
Mr. F. L. RITTER, Musical Director.
Tickets, $

THE SECOND CENSUS.

Results of the Re-Enumeration of the City and County of New-York.

Superintendent Walker's Report in Full—Thoroughness of the Work of the Marshal and His Aids—Review of the History of the Re-Enumeration—The Course of the Mayor Denounced—"Malicious Criticism, Anonymous Accusation, or Suborned Testimony" Defied.

The following is the report in full of Superintendent WALKER to the Interior Department on the result of the re-enumeration of this City and County, in pursuance of an order of the President, issued on account of complaints made by Mayor HALL concerning the first enumeration:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
CENSUS OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, Feb. 14, 1871.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith a tabular statement exhibiting the results of the re-enumeration of the City and County of New-York, at the ninth census of the United States, in pursuance of an Executive order dated Oct. 28, 1870. The accompanying table presents the population of the City and county by election districts, according to the latest arrangement thereof, while the totals of Wards are exhibited, at the close of the statement, in comparison with the Ward totals of the first enumeration.

It will be seen that the increase by re-enumeration has been 16,767 upon a former total of 925,685. The positive gain is twenty-two in excess of the gain by re-enumeration in Philadelphia (16,745;) but the percentage of gain is smaller, being less than two per cent., as against two and a half per cent. and more in Philadelphia. When the difference in the conditions of a great city in Summer and in Winter is considered, this result cannot but be accepted as a signal vindication of the census as originally taken. So slight a rate of increase in a census begun in December over one begun in June, proves that the Marshal and his assistants overcame to a remarkable degree the difficulties of a Summer enumeration. Had they not taken far more pains with their work than the Government paid for, or had a right to expect, the result of the first count of the population would have fallen considerably short of 900,000. From a careful study of the work in all the stages of its progress, I fully believe that, but for the efforts of the Marshal of New-York and of his assistants above and beyond their simple duty under the law, 40,000 names that appeared upon the returns first made to the Census Office would have been omitted. It was by repeatedly going back over their ground, even to the extent of calling four, six, or ten times, if necessary, at a single house; by corresponding with absentees, and in the last resort by looking up business partners, family relatives, family physicians, and at the worst, family tradesmen, that the assistant marshals of New-York approached so nearly to the true population, in spite of the difficulties that beset the enumeration of a City whose business men sleep in three States and in five Judicial districts; an enumeration, moreover, taken at the worst season of the year and under a law singularly defective and vicious.

THE HISTORY OF THE RE-ENUMERATION.

In thus reporting the completion of the work, it has seemed desirable to review briefly the history of this re-enumeration. The census of New-York began by law upon the 1st of June. On the 12th of September, before the result had been officially announced, or could even be anticipated at the Marshal's office with any degree of assurance, the Mayor of the City, in a communication to the Common Council, in connection with many erroneous statements of detail, preferred against the census then in progress a sweeping charge of partiality and ineffectiveness; and subsequently, on the 27th of October, in a most extraordinary circular letter, this officer charged upon the authorities of the census at Washington and in New-York, a criminal conspiracy to keep the population of the City below one million, and to make New-York "the second or third city" of the Union.

In his letter of the 12th of September, above referred to, the Mayor claimed to be in possession of a large body of authentic information as to the alleged omissions of the census. On the 14th of that month, the Marshal of the District addressed a courteous communication to the Mayor, asking to be furnished with the memoranda, or minutes from the same, by which he might be enabled to correct the enumeration, if really defective, and to bring delinquent assistants to account. To this request no reply was returned, and the Mayor of the City has never, as a patriotic officer or good citizen, given the Marshal of the District the advantage of the information which he claimed to possess, to enable this great national work to be the better accomplished. On the 1st of December, however, in a letter addressed to the Department of the Interior, asking that the assistant marshals at the re-enumeration be accompanied by members of the Municipal Police force, the Mayor of New-York did proceed to make specifications in regard to the alleged inaccuracy of the first enumeration. In the closing paragraph of that letter he says: "I beg to inclose two memoranda selected from many in possession of the Local Census Committee, in order to exhibit to you the kind of complaint which had previously been made." It is worthy of note that in furnishing the Marshal of the District with a copy of this letter, the memoranda referred to were withheld, and the Marshal was obliged to obtain them from Washington.

Of the two memoranda, one was merely a sweeping charge that the assistant marshal of a certain subdivision had done his work negligently. Of course, as there was no specification, there was no charge. The second and last of the memoranda accompanying the letter of the Mayor, alleged, as its entire substance, that two tenement-houses named, on Eldridge-street, Nos. 124 and 126, had not been visited by the assistant marshal. Reference to the returns, however, exhibited the fact that at one of these houses twelve families, with a total of forty-four persons, and at the other sixteen families, with a total of sixty persons, had been duly enumerated, making a total of 104 persons actually on the rolls from these two houses. To such a lame and impotent conclusion did the attempt to substantiate the charges against the census come. The mountain of evidence sank to a mole-hill, and that was blown away at the first breath of investigation.

Meanwhile two facts are notorious. One that the Police of the City did, in pursuance of a proclamed intention, proceed to take the census on their own account, and did complete the enumeration of the Tenth Ward, if not also of another Ward; but the results were so unfavorable to the purpose of disproving the "Federal" census that they were never published, and it has to this day been impossible for the most enterprising news gatherer to get at the figures. Another notorious fact in this connection is that an advertised session of a Joint Committee of the Boards of Aldermen and of Assistant Aldermen was held in the Chamber of the Board of Aldermen, at 3 o'clock P. M. of the 17th of October, for the purpose of receiving complaints as to the incompleteness of the census, but that not a single person appeared to make good the anonymous accusations with which, for partisan purposes or to advertise boarding-houses, the Press had been overwhelmed; and that the Committee, after waiting an hour, adjourned without recording a single complaint.

THE REDISTRICTING OF THE CITY.

I do not deem it desirable to go into the question, at this time, of the singular manner in which the City of New-York was redistricted for election purposes, after the census had been begun; nor is it necessary to comment at any length, upon the facts which have been here presented. The attack thus wantonly made upon officers of the United States Government in the discharge of their duties, has been sufficiently repelled by the results of the last census, taken so thoroughly, so carefully, so guardedly at every point, as to defy alike malicious criticism, anonymous accusation, or suborned testimony.

I have the honor to be, Sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

FRANCIS A. WALKER,
Superintendent.

Hon. C. DELANO, Secretary of the Interior.

Statement by Districts.

FIRST WARD.

Dist.	Assistant Marshal.	The Count.	Dist.	Assistant Marshal.	The Count.
1.	Adolph Loewel...	966	6.	F. F. Feller.....	2,608
2.	Adolph Loewel...	1,184	7.	R. J. Murtagh....	2,238
3.	Eugene Martin...	965	8.	Wm. Stokley.....	1,987
4.	Andrew Cusack...	1,345	9.	Henry M. Karpies	2,351
5.	J. Osborne.....	1,186			
	Total.....				14,463

SECOND WARD.

Dist.		The Count.
1.	John R. Simpson.	834
2.	John R. Simpson.	478
	Total.....	1,312

THIRD WARD.

Dist.		The Count.
1.	A. Hungesser....	421
2.	Wm. H. Bailey...	422
3.	Jacob Denbert....	678
4.	Jas. J. Duffey....	844
5.	Michael Jaeger...	1,540
	Total.....	3,715

FOURTH WARD.

Dist.			Dist.		
1.	F. F. Feller.....	2,777	8.	W. Divoll.....	1,489
2.	J. Cockle, Jr.....	3,065	9.	F. F. Feller.....	1,773
3.	F. Mack.....	1,335	10.	F. F. Feller.....	1,094
4.	A. Loewel.....	1,344	11.	W. Divoll.....	1,553
5.	W. Divoll.....	2,176	12.	Geo. Danstrup....	1,270
6.	T. H. Martin.....	1,410	13.	R. Hubertus.....	1,527
7.	Geo. Danstrup....	1,341			
	Total.....				23,787

FIFTH WARD.

Dist.			Dist.		
1.	W. H. Bailey.....	1,246	8.	H. M. Karpies....	1,961
2.	J. Burkhard.....	1,190	9.	W. Rosslander....	1,551
3.	W. H. Bailey.....	1,299	10.	D. W. Beardsley..	1,487
4.	A. Burkhard.....	1,357	11.	F. F. Feller.....	1,488
5.	A. Cusack.....	1,127	12.	Dewitt Beardsley.	825
6.	W. Hunter.....	745	13.	A. Burkhard.....	969
7.	H. M. Karpies....	1,907			
	Total.....				17,152

SIXTH WARD.

Dist.			Dist.		
1.	C. H. Bennet.....	472	13.	Thos. J. Corbin...	644
2.	John A. Ruffner..	2,365	14.	A. Lowell.....	172
3.	J. F. Underhill...	1,625	15.	A. Lowell.....	222
4.	Geo. J. Kraus.....	749	16.	R. Hubertus.....	694
5.	F. Passeger.....	651	17.	W. Rosslander....	338
6.	P. Mack.....	900	18.	R. Waldeck.....	527
7.	T. O. Bremsen....	1,122	19.	R. Hubertus.....	630
8.	W. Rosslimber...	1,676	20.	R. Hubertus.....	1,101
9.	P. Mack.....	1,759	21.	H. A. M. Bears...	625
10.	J. A. Ruffner....	1,557	22.	W. G. Clear.....	807
11.	P. Mack.....	1,183	23.	W. Rosslander....	83
12.	Thos. J. Corbin...	865			
	Total.....				21,153

SEVENTH WARD.

Dist.			Dist.		
1.	Geo. W. Weed....	2,323	9.	Geo. W. Weed....	1,647
2.	Geo. W. Weed....	4,448	10.	G. W. Creighton..	2,758
3.	A. H. Clarke....	3,349	11.	Chas. H. Bennet..	3,436
4.	C. H. Bennet.....	1,861	12.	T. O. Bremsen.....	2,072
5.	W. Hunter.....	2,960	13.	Wm. B. Sudlow...	3,949
6.	W. G. Clear.....	4,110	14.	T. O. Bremsen.....	3,262
7.	W. Hunter.....	4,110	15.	Geo. W. Weed....	3,482
8.	Geo. W. Weed....	2,798			
	Total.....				44,819

EIGHTH WARD.

Dist.			Dist.		
1.	E. G. Tuffs.....	635	13.	Eugene Martin...	1,728
2.	C. H. Bladen.....	1,991	14.	H. M. Karpies....	1,387
3.	J. J. Ruffner.....	1,120	15.	W. Divoll.....	1,998
4.	C. D. Murray.....	1,222	16.	W. J. Farrell.....	2,510
5.	E. G. Tuffs.....	1,351	17.	R. J. Murtagh....	2,497
6.	W. G. Cleon.....	1,956	18.	T. Hillson.....	1,922
7.	C. H. Bladen.....	897	19.	C. H. Bladen.....	1,206
8.	J. J. Duffy.....	1,933	20.	Isaac C. Johnson.	2,390
9.	G. W. Creighton..	2,192	21.	Isaac C. Johnson.	1,256
10.	Chas. Weil.....	1,947	22.	Wm. Stokeley.....	813
11.	C. D. Murray.....	722	23.	G. W. Francis.....	766
12.	G. W. Creighton..	1,595			
	Total.....				34,913

NINTH WARD.

Dist.			Dist.		
1.	B. F. Satins.....	2,116	11.	J. Cockle, Jr.....	2,025
2.	W. E. Carpenter..	2,896	12.	W. E. Carpenter..	2,229
4.	F. W. Schmidt....	2,121	13.	W. E. Carpenter..	2,131
4.	W. Schmidt.....	2,324	14.	Michael Jaeger...	2,324
5.	W. E. Noble, Jr..	3,112	15.	Anson Willis.....	1,846
6.	Geo. Danstrup....	2,726	16.	W. G. Clear.....	1,718
7.	W. E. Noble, Jr..	2,235	17.	J. S. Miller.....	3,043
8.	Geo. Danstrup....	2,288	18.	Thos. Hillson.....	2,528
9.	J. A. Ruffner....	2,546	19.	D. P. Quackenbush	1,718
10.	A. Bradshaw.....	1,961	20.	T. Hillson.....	2,585
	Total.....				47,607

TENTH WARD.

Dist.			Dist.		
1.	G. J. Crans.....	3,877	8.	H. M. Karpies....	2,307
2.	A. Hoffman.....	3,406	9.	F. Gaisburg.....	3,309
3.	T. H. Martin.....	1,649	10.	J. A. Ruffner.....	2,081
4.	C. D. Murray.....	2,962	11.	H. Susaman.....	2,096
5.	Samuel Cool.....	2,945	12.	F. W. Schmidt....	3,423
6.	F. W. Schmidt....	3,542	13.	Samuel Cool.....	2,854
7.	A. Loewel.....	3,055	14.	Isaac Fry.....	3,892
	Total.....				41,411

ELEVENTH WARD.

Dist.			Dist.		
1.	H. Catwood.....	1,305	14.	Isaac Fry.....	1,163
2.	Andrew Cusack..	4,272	15.	A. Stickney.....	3,294
3.	A. Stickney.....	1,946	16.	J. N. Lanthier....	3,207
4.	W. Rosslander....	1,648	17.	Ernst Binder.....	2,508
5.	Jacob Denbert...	3,320	19.	Richard Waldeck.	283
7.	G. H. Cornell.....	4,821	20.	R. Waldeck.....	1,828
8.	Peter Schierber..	4,449	21.	B. F. Oakley.....	2,551
9.	P. Passeger.....	1,462	22.	Jas. McKenny.....	2,856
10.	F. W. Schmidt....	3,261	23.	Eugene Martin...	2,177
11.	T. O. Bremsen....	1,953	24.	J. N. Lanthier....	1,146
12.	Jas. Clark.....	2,318	25.	Jas. McKenny.....	1,112
13.	Jas. Clark.....	4,902			
	Total.....				54,220

TWELFTH WARD.

Dist.			Dist.		
1.	Mark Maguire....	3,114	11.	W. L. Sandford...	2,906
2.	G. J. Keans.....	2,442	12.	A. H. Colt.....	1,507
3.	W. L. Sandford...	3,232	13.	C. H. Bladen.....	1,593
4.	W. G. Clear.....	3,316	14.	Isaac C. Johnson.	1,852
5.	Anson Willis.....	925	15.	C. D. Murray.....	2,972
6.	W. Divoll.....	1,769	16.	Isaac C. Johnson.	1,538
7.	Anson Willis.....	2,544	17.	John Clark.....	3,993
8.	J. R. Simpson....	2,561	18.	J. R. Simpson....	4,578
9.	W. L. Sandford...	1,415	19.	Wm. Stokeley.....	2,904
10.	W. B. Avery.....	2,334			
	Total.....				47,495

THIRTEENTH WARD.

Dist.			Dist.		
1.	Henry C. Atwood	1,714	7.	G. J. Kraus.....	2,921
2.	Eugene Martin...	2,785	8.	Frank Freeland..	2,238
3.	J. H. Anderson...	2,491	9.	H. M. Karpies....	3,427
4.	Frank Freeland..	2,166	10.	S. W. Roberts....	2,244
5.	Isaac Fry.....	2,547	11.	J. H. Anderson...	2,582
6.	C. D. Murray.....	3,252	12.	E. G. Tuffs.....	3,198
	Total.....				33,365

FOURTEENTH WARD.

Dist.			Dist.		
1.	M. A. Lyman.....	1,400	8.	W. H. H. Wilcox.	2,349
2.	H. M. Karpies....	3,004	9.	T. J. Corbin.....	2,062
3.	P. Mack.....	3,365	10.	T. J. Corbin.....	1,379
4.	W. J. Farrell.....	4,741	11.	H. Susmann.....	2,074
5.	Amos Brown.....	262	12.	C. D. Murray.....	3,070
6.	M. A. Lyman.....	1,722	13.	E. Wangerman.....	2,013
7.	C. D. Murray.....	1,420	14.	J. A. Ruffner.....	1,522
	Total.....				26,431

FIFTEENTH WARD.

Dist.			Dist.		
1.	W. E. Noble, Jr..	2,642	8.	J. J. Duffy.....	2,371
2.	Eugene Martin...	1,881	9.	J. A. Ruffner.....	1,709
3.	C. H. Bladen.....	1,916	10.	C. H. Bladen.....	1,861
4.	C. H. Heyser.....	1,902	11.	R. J. Murtagh....	801
5.	Charles Wolff.....	2,101	12.	T. J. Corbin.....	2,921
6.	F. J. Butler.....	2,863	13.	M. Jaeger.....	2,109
7.	B. De Lamater....	1,618			
	Total.....				27,586

SIXTEENTH WARD.

Dist.			Dist.		
1.	Frank J. Butler..	1,535	10.	R. S. Grover.....	2,864
2.	Chas. Hill.....	774	11.	A. Bradshaw.....	4,062
3.	Wm. Masten.....	3,530	12.	John Miller.....	3,429
4.	A. Bradshaw.....	2,405	13.	Geo. Flennelling.	3,070
5.	C. D. Murray.....	2,062	14.	John Clark.....	2,663
6.	C. H. Heyser.....	3,212	15.	Geo. Trash.....	3,051
7.	F. J. Butler.....	2,775	16.	B. De Lamater....	2,271
8.	Wm. Rosslander..	2,856	17.	T. J. Corbin.....	2,161
9.	Sam'l Barclay....	2,166	18.	Sam'l Barclay....	1,851
	Total.....				48,360

SEVENTEENTH WARD.

Dist.			Dist.		
1.	Eugene Martin...	2,480	15.	S. A. Adler.....	4,032
2.	F. A. Ludlam.....	2,189	16.	C. A. Pavie.....	5,189
3.	Amos Brown.....	1,935	17.	C. A. Pavie.....	4,659
4.	Amos Brown.....	2,857	18.	G. H. Cornell.....	5,113
5.	H. M. Karpies....	2,989	19.	W. H. H. Wilcox.	4,092
6.	W. Rosslander....	2,783	20.	G. H. Cornell.....	4,140
7.	G. G. Tuffs.....	2,240	21.	Geo. Bush.....	5,818
8.	G. H. Cornell.....	4,617	22.	H. V. Susmann...	4,271
9.	B. Waldeck.....	3,148	23.	C. A. Pavie.....	2,816
10.	Theo. Block.....	2,947	24.	Jno. T. Underhill.	3,580
11.	T. O. Bremsen....	2,959	25.	S. A. Roberts.....	3,197
12.	A. Stickney.....	2,543	26.	H. Lautermann...	4,025
13.	W. Rosslander....	2,366	27.	C. P. Sutter.....	2,422
14.	C. A. Pavie.....	4,479	28.	Isaac C. Johnson.	3,537
	Total.....				55,411

EIGHTEENTH WARD.

Dist.			Dist.		
1.	James Clark.....	2,439	14.	Hy. Lautermann..	1,945
2.	R. Waldeck.....	2,025	15.	Robert Kennedy..	2,416
3.	C. D. Murray.....	629	16.	R. Waldeck.....	2,535
4.	F. Passeger.....	651	17.	R. Kennedy.....	2,790
5.	R. Kennedy.....	2,128	18.	P. Leonard.....	4,089
6.	Isaac C. Johnson.	1,381	19.	T. J. Corbin.....	2,229
7.	E. G. Tuffs.....	2,856	20.	C. D. Lowry.....	2,832
8.	Aug. Nemgessen..	1,499	21.	S. Barclay.....	4,583
9.	Jas. McKenny.....	2,741		Everett House, S. Barclay.....	84
10.	P. Phoesen.....	2,304			
11.	H. A. M. Beers...	2,579	22.	W. Rosslander....	2,396
12.	C. D. Murray.....	4,559	23.	R. S. Grover.....	4,021
12.	Jas. F. Kiely.....	2,689			
	Total.....				59,098

NINETEENTH WARD.

Dist.			Dist.		
1.	James Lark.....	1,850	17.	C. H. Phalen.....	540
2.	A. W. Kennedy...	2,044	18.	M. A. Lyman.....	4,617
3.	George Bush.....	1,563	19.	Alexander Hill...	5,852
4.	B. McGowan.....	1,911	20.	George Bush.....	2,820
5.	C. D. Murray.....	1,201	21.	G. P. McCarthy..	2,672
6.	W. Lautermann..	2,019	22.	G. P. McCarthy..	2,681
7.	H. A. Utley.....	2,768	23.	H. M. Karpies....	4,091
8.	C. D. Murray.....	2,512	24.	J. Osborn.....	4,979
9.	T. H. Robbins....	1,333	25.	J. Osborn.....	2,186
10.	George Bush.....	591	26.	W. B. Arny.....	2,812
11.	B. F. Oakley.....	2,210	27.	A. Boerst.....	3,048
12.	J. Osborn.....	3,472	28.	R. Hubertus.....	2,229
13.	Thos. Robbins....	9,2 7	29.	F. Mack.....	2,218
14.	S. A. Utley.....	2,989	30.	M. McGovern.....	2,264
15.	M. A. Decker.....	2,780	31.	M. A. Decker.....	2,734
16.	R. Hubertus.....	2,411			
	Total.....				86,005

TWENTIETH WARD.

Dist.			Dist.		
1.	J. T. Deye.....	4,940	12.	G. H. Cornell.....	4,992
2.	J. Angus.....	4,704	13.	William Masten..	4,091
3.	B. McGowan.....	3,327	14.	W. B. Avery.....	2,319
4.	M. Lyman.....	3,601	15.	W. B. Avery.....	3,146
5.	William Keyes...	2,802	16.	B. McGowan.....	2,847
6.	William Masten..	3,905	17.	W. B. Avery.....	2,117
7.	William Masten..	3,034	18.	M. Bachonasch...	4,457
8.	R. Hubertus.....	3,020	19.	T. J. Corbin.....	2,845
9.	H. Bradley.....	2,675	20.	P. Schreider.....	2,993
10.	W. C. Faulhaber..	2,566	21.	H. E. Jones.....	3,422
11.	W. L. Sanford.....	4,164	22.	A. Cusack.....	2,350
	Total.....				75,318

TWENTY-FIRST WARD.

Dist.			Dist.		
1.	C. D. Murray.....	1,714	12.	C. D. Murray.....	3,919
2.	T. O. Bremsen.....	1,313	13.	H. C. Bress.....	3,260
3.	R. F. Saitus.....	2,970	14.	H. M. Karpies....	2,381
4.	H. M. Karpies....	2,760	15.	H. M. Karpies....	2,526
5.	H. M. Karpies....	1,876	16.	W. H. Staube.....	1,776
6.	M. A. Lyman.....	2,328	17.	H. C. Bress.....	2,241
7.	H. C. Bress.....	2,663	18.	M. McGovern.....	1,922
8.	H. C. Bress.....	2,260	19.	J. F. Goodlieff....	4,702
9.	Aug. Wemgessen..	2,563	20.	J. Angus.....	4,614
10.	C. D. Murray.....	1,206	21.	W. H. Staube.....	3,402
11.	Carll Fh. Sutter..	1,971			
	Total.....				36,709

TWENTY-SECOND WARD.

Dist.			Dist.		
1.	H. M. Karpies....	3,143	14.	Henry Utley.....	2,468
2.	C. D. Lowry.....	1,237	15.	Wm. Masten.....	4,023
3.	D. M. Folmes.....	3,957	16.	J. Weifenstein...	3,598
4.	H. M. Karpies....	4,023	17.	A. W. Kennedy..	2,925
5.	Wm. H. Blake.....	2,498	18.	J. T. Deys.....	4,662
6.	Henry Bradley..	3,258	19.	W. M. Frear.....	4,424
7.	H. Utley.....	2,060	20.	H. Utley.....	3,628
8.	C. D. Murray.....	2,219	21.	J. T. Deye.....	3,243
9.	J. Angus.....	1,857	22.	F. R. Lunlam.....	3,196
10.	F. Passeger.....	2,310	23.	H. Bradley.....	2,639
11.	Jas. McKinney...	2,539	24.	Geo. Crand.....	3,209
12.	Chas. Neill.....	1,692			
13.	J. Angus.....	3,489		Total.....	71,362

RECAPITULATION.

Wards.	Second En'm'n.	First En'm'n.	Wards.	Second En'm'n.	First En'm'n.
1.....	14,463	18,167	12.....	47,495	47,981
2.....	1,312	1,041	13.....	33,365	31,963
3.....	3,715	5,853	14.....	26,431	29,998
4.....	23,787	23,631	15.....	27,586	26,068
5.....	17,152	16,516	16.....	48,360	45,583
6.....	21,153	21,225	17.....	98,411	98,040
7.....	44,819	44,940	18.....	59,598	60,532
8.....	34,913	34,198	19.....	86,005	80,342
9.....	47,607	46,960	20.....	75,318	71,252
10.....	41,411	41,227	21.....	56,709	51,086
11.....	64,230	66,050	22.....	71,362	66,861
Total.....				942,252	925,485

GERMAN REPUBLICANS.

Interesting Letter on the Present Duties of the Republican Party—Various Reforms Urged for Immediate Consideration.

The following address to the Republican Party has been prepared by certain leading German Republicans of this City:

The historical destiny of the Republican Party is by no means accomplished by the mere fact that it has saved the Union and bestowed upon four millions of former slaves all the rights of freemen, so long as there exists a formidable and well-organized enemy clinging tenaciously to the false teachings of a "white man's Government" and "State rights," and which would, in the event of success at the polls, plunge the land into a state of anarchy, or at least impede the healthy progress of the nation for years to come. In view of this danger, the duty devolves upon the Republican Party not to desist until those great principles, for which it has so victoriously struggled to the present day, are secured beyond peradventure against any possible reaction by the enactment of a series of general organic National and State laws. What has been done so far in this direction by amending the Constitution and the enactment of appropriate legislation, however highly this must be esteemed, is not sufficient, and cannot be called enactment of organic laws or safeguards—inasmuch as the American peculiarity of compromise and half-way measures to effect the postponement of important decisions of political principles is still prevailing in a higher or lesser degree. Was not the Republican Party compelled to acknowledge the equality of all men, and incorporate this principle in the Constitution through and by the Fifteenth Amendment, only in consequence of the hard logic of events and necessity of the occasion, and in spite of the Democratic party's new issues or new parties are required, if the Republican Party will only shape National and State legislation to the requirements of the present epoch, and in harmony with the changes wrought by the results of the war, abolition of slavery, and increasing tide of immigration. Should the party fail to perceive its duty in this regard, and give us only half measures as the result of local, special and patch legislation, it wastes its strength, and by creating quarrelsome factions in its own ranks, history would some day record that it did not understand the duty of the hour, and had died an ignominious death. If, however, the party persists in bringing to their full fruition those principles which underlie its structure, by enacting organic laws covering the desired ground, and makes this a part of its rallying cry, many years of useful life will yet be extended, and its victory over the so-called Democratic Party will remain uninterrupted, inasmuch as the latter is only intent on presenting such principles or issues to the people as have long since been disavowed and disclaimed. The line of demarkation between the two parties is then easily drawn and the points which most need organic legislation are those found within the fundamental principles of the Republican Party, and caused by the changes wrought within the past decade:

I.—EDUCATION AND INSTRUCTION.

All of a sudden millions of former slaves, devoid of all education, have been endowed as free and equal citizens, hundreds of thousands of emigrants (the most of whom belong to rude and ignorant classes of the inhabitants of other hemispheres) land yearly on our hospitable shores, and acquire the same rights with native-born citizens. In the face of these glaring facts, is there a more urgent need for the Republican Party than to successfully solve the problem of systematic general education, which shall at once prevent the repetition of all similar systems in the world? Switzerland understood this important problem, for she went at solving it immediately after their war of separation had closed in the interest of true liberty, and opposed to the fanaticism and ignorance carefully nursed and fanned into flames by a designing and crafty priesthood. Yet how little heed has been bestowed on the warning voices that have repeatedly been heard in our legislative halls in relation to the necessity of thorough reform in our national system of education! And this at a time when the attacks of religious sects upon our free schools become daily more numerous and threatening! Therefore, let the first plank of future Republican platforms consist of a free and moderate system of public schools, based on the most approved plans of education, embracing schools of every grade, for adults as well as for children and minors, without sectarian distinctions, making schooling and education obligatory on every citizen.

II.—CITIZENSHIP AND NATURALIZATION.

Congress alone has power to legislate on naturalization. Nevertheless conflicting laws are yet extant among the different States, and the cry, "State Rights" and "Centralization," has hitherto frightened the people of the Union from enacting a universal law on this point, thereby withdrawing its discussion altogether from the option of States. The native born or foreigner (who came here in his teens) acquires, so to say, the right of citizenship and voting without the slightest effort, certainly without being required to furnish proof as to definite ideas of duties, privileges or responsibility involved. All religious, civil or social communities and societies require the candidate to be properly examined, previous to admission, as to his qualifications, and the admission takes place under certain forms, calculated to call attention to the importance of the act, and should all this be entirely superfluous in acquiring citizenship of these United States, as though the auxiliary duties of voting, militia and jury service were of no material consequence? It should, therefore, be a duty devolving upon the party that has liberated the slave, to regulate this question, so that the native-born white, black or red man, the emigrant from Europe and Asia, may acquire citizenship under like and equal conditions, and following the same rules and regulations. Action on this question should not be delayed, for fraudulent certificates of naturalization threaten to give full sway to the enemy. A republican that offers to all alike an opportunity to acquire by education the necessary qualifications for a proper exercise of the duties of citizenship, surely has the right to make this boon dependent on the qualification. American citizenship would rise in the esteem of all, native as well as foreign born would be proud of the title "American citizen," and election frauds would meet insurmountable obstacles. Should any one too lazy or ignorant to conform to the regulations for acquiring citizenship, be deprived from exercising his rights as such, the community would surely not lose thereby, inasmuch as every one owes a portion of his time and services as a citizen to his native or adopted country.

III.—POPULAR SUFFRAGE AND ELECTION LAWS.

Universal suffrage is, without doubt, the only safeguard of a republic. Late events have proved, however, that this right, in its degeneracy, (as in France, for instance,) may serve to found a military despotism; or, as in New-York City, it serves as a foundation for the rule of an oligarchy, supported by demagogues and mobocracy, and it degenerates wherever it is exercised in a rude and unorganized manner. All efforts hitherto made, defective though they were and without result, emanated from the Republican Party, and were met by the most vehement opposition from the Democrats; this demonstrates that the regulating of popular suffrage through national legislation, and through reform in existing State laws pertaining thereto, should henceforth be one of the important planks in Republican platforms. Questions like that of proportionate representation, as at present practised in Illinois, and may-hap the question of female suffrage, may thus be satisfactorily decided. No cool and clear thinking man, that considers existing circumstances and facts, when he strives for the accomplishment of a purpose, will think of granting the right of suffrage to women at present, under its rude and uncouth mode of exercise, and disorganize society or precipitate the female sex into the vortex of politics and its attendant corruption, yet the day is not distant when such rules and regulations will be framed that will enable woman to exercise the privilege of suffrage, without forcing her to become derogatory to her sphere or domestic life and existence.

IV.—A NATIONAL MILITARY SYSTEM.

In this respect, as in others, the great Republic can profitably emulate her smaller European sister, Switzerland. Immediately after their war of separation, they devised the best military system as yet inaugurated by a free people. What has been done in the United States? What lessons have the Republican Party learned from the late bloody war against secession? Had we enjoyed in 1860 a like system as is fostered by Switzerland, our war could hardly have been so bloody as it was, if possible at all. No new commotion threatens our peace at present, and resolutely for that reason, we should take this question into immediate and most serious consideration. Its successful solution not only concerns our internal safety, but controls to an important degree our relations with foreign countries. Our national Legislature should, therefore, superintend and enact laws pertaining to this most important duty of a live citizen, and to urge this is the imperative duty of a progressive party.

V.—RELIGIOUS AND PERSONAL LIBERTY.

Powerful religious bodies are daily growing louder and more impetuous in their demands to incorporate a sectarian character to public society, in direct violation of one of the wisest fundamental principles of the Constitution. A truly progressive party should pronounce against all laws tending to favor religious sects or institutions, either through implied or material pecuniary recognition or support. Public morals in a free democratic republic, so far as they are controlled by enactments and laws, are built exclusively on public institutions for education and learning, and a healthy political atmosphere. All attempts at promoting or improving public morals by coercive or preventive legislation will remain futile.

VI.—CIVIL AND PENAL CODES.

The many changes and additions made for centuries to the English law, on which we base our own codes, have given rise to much confusion in their interpretation and administration. In spite of the consequent necessity for speedy remedies on this score, the aversion of our legislators against thorough reform has remained so invincible that proposals of bills covering the ground have either been buried in Committees or brought to naught. The Code Napoleon is the greatest acquisition of the first revolution, and the only unsullied leaf in the laurel wreath of its founder. Since the results of our late civil war have still further deranged the application of our civil and penal code, the Republican Party ought to improve the opportunity by an enactment of